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Minutes of Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, Tuesday, January 8, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon.

Present—Deputy and Acting Comptroller McCooey, Commissioners Cowan (President), Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Pursuant to the following notice, published for fifteen consecutive days in the *City Record*, *The Sun* and *The New York Times*, commencing December 19, 1906:

THE AQUEDUCT COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE,
Room 207 Stewart Building, No. 280 Broadway,
New York, December 18, 1906.

FLASHBOARD EQUIPMENT FOR NEW CROTON DAM.

Sealed bids or proposals will be received by the Aqueduct Commissioners at the above office until 12 o'clock noon, on Tuesday, January 8, 1907, at which place and hour the bids will be publicly opened and read; the award of the contract, if awarded, will be made by the Aqueduct Commissioners as soon thereafter as practicable, for furnishing and erecting flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam. The dam is located in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, New York, about 2½ miles from Croton-on-Hudson, on the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad, Hudson River Division, approximately 35 miles from New York.

The length of the spillway is approximately 1,000 feet. The flashboard equipment consists of flashboards, cast-iron bents, a narrow gauge track, a car, a concrete walk, galvanized iron railings, a concrete storage house and other minor accessories.

The security required will be Six Thousand Dollars.

The contract will be required to be completed within 120 consecutive calendar days following the month in which the contract is signed by the Commissioners.

The work is authorized by chapter 490, Laws of 1883, of the State of New York, and the amendments thereto.

No bid will be received or considered unless accompanied by a certified check upon one of the State or National banks in the City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money to the amount of $500.

Copies of a pamphlet, containing further information for bidders, form of proposal forms of contract and bond approved by the Corporation Counsel, and the specifications and contract drawings can be obtained at the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners on application in person or by mail.

JOHN F. COWAN, President.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Bids have been received for the flashboard equipment on the spillways of the New Croton Dam, in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, N. Y.

The following bids, upon which the required deposits had been made, were then opened and read aloud by the Secretary:

Bid No. 1—Greenberg & Bartlett.

Bid No. 2—The Monad Engineering Company.

Bid No. 3—Coldwell-Wilcox Company.

Bid No. 4—Louis Wechsler.

Bid No. 5—Culgin-Pace Contracting Company.

Bid No. 6—New Jersey Foundry & Machine Company.

Bid No. 7—The Snare & Triest Company.

Whereupon, the following preambles and resolution were offered:

Whereas, Bids for the flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, N. Y., have been received and publicly opened and read; therefore,

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer and Secretary be and they are hereby directed to have said bids calculated and tabulated and submit the same at a meeting of the Construction Committee of the Aqueduct Commissioners, to be held on Tuesday, January 8, 1907, at 3 o'clock P. M., for consideration and canvassing by them; and the bids and checks of the bidders so received are hereby referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit for examination and report to the Commissioners as to their formality and the sufficiency of the sureties proposed by the bidders.

Which were adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Deputy and Acting Comptroller McCooey, Commissioners Cowan, Ryan and Windolph—4.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock P. M.

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Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of December 18, 1906, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in vouchers No. 18,157 to 18,159, inclusive, amounting to $25,255.92, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,160 to 18,180, inclusive, amounting to $1,451.69, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for School District No. 6, Town of Lewisboro, Westchester County, N. Y., for school taxes for the year 1906 on property taken in fee by the City of New York for the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, etc., amounting to $107.74, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of Corporation Counsel, dated September 7, 1905, and June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1516 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 20, 1906, requesting authority to procure two new plan cases to be used in the Drafting Room for the storage and handling of plans, maps and drawings, at an estimated cost of approximately $400, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1517 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 21, 1906, in regard to communication of Harry P. Nichols, Assistant Engineer in charge of the Bureau of Franchises, dated December 18, 1906, relating to application of Union Railway Company for a franchise for the construction, operation and maintenance of a railroad on streets and avenues in the vicinity of the Jerome Park Reservoir, and stating that there was no engineering objections to granting the franchise (on the part of this Commission), was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to the communication from Mr. Nichols in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1518 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, returning two communications from the Comptroller, dated December 11 and 15, 1096, respectively, in

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Coldwell-Wilcox Company	34,881.00
Monad Engineering Company	35,860.00
Culgin-Pace Contracting Company	47,400.00
Chief Engineer's estimate	32,600.00

Respectfully,

WALTER H. SEARS, Chief Engineer,

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Which was ordered filed.

Report No. 1527 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 11, 1907, in regard to the capacity and qualifications of the various bidders who submitted bids for the flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the bid or proposal of Greenberg & Bartlett for constructing the flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, in the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, N. Y., bids for which were received and opened January 8, 1907, be and the same hereby is accepted, and the contract therefor be and it hereby is awarded to said Greenberg & Bartlett at the prices stated in their bid, and the Secretary is authorized to notify the successful bidder and to attend to the other necessary details.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 15, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph.

Minutes of January 8, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee on Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of billls contained in vouchers Nos. 18,183 to 18,196, inclusive, amounting to $4,433.12, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 3, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1528 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 15, 1907, recommending the appointment of Charles A. Lewis and Howard C. Kelly as stenographers and typewriters, at salaries of $1,050 per annum each, for assignment at Croton Falls and Katonah, N. Y., was ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1528, Charles A. Lewis and Howard C. Kelly be and hereby are appointed stenographers and typewriters, at salaries of $1,050 per annum each, to take effect when assigned to duty, they having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission January 14, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Two notices from the Comptroller, dated December 27, 1906, and four notices dated January 7, 1907, stating that the sum of $257,983.82 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated January 11, 1907, returning assignment by James Malloy & Co., to the Croton Falls Construction Company of con-

tract for the construction of the Croton Falls Reservoir, approved as to form, was referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit.

Communication from Greenberg & Bartlett, dated January 14, 1907, requesting permission to substitute the United State Fidelity & Guaranty Company, of Baltimore, as surety on contract for flashboard equipment on the spillway of the new Croton Dam was received, the communication ordered filed, and the permission requested granted.

Notice from Mary A. Brown, by Blandy, Mooney & Shipman, her attorneys, dated January 9, 1907, claiming certain interest in the retained percentages upon the contract of Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, for the construction of the new Croton Dam, amounting to $90,508.78, with interest, and demanding payment thereof, was laid over pending receipt of reply of the Corporation Counsel to communication dated January 9, 1907.

Notice of lien by William H. Holdsworth & Son, by Coombs & Wilson, attorneys, dated January 8, 1907, against Jacobs & Sons for $606.43, alleged to be due for materials, was referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Report No. 1519 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to bill of Trowbridge & Livingston for services as architects in co-operating in preparing plans and specifications for the erection of the superstructure of gate-houses at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was laid over.

Report No. 1520 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to expenditures authorized to be made in amounts not exceeding $5,000, was ordered filed.

Report No. 1521 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to salaries of Assistant Engineers in the employ of the Commissioners, was laid over.

Report No. 1522 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, recommending the appointment of George G. Honness as Division Engineer of the Katonah Division, at a salary of $4,000 per annum, was ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1522, George G. Honness be and hereby is appointed Division Engineer of the Katonah Division, at a salary of $4,000 per annum, to take effect January 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1523 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to the removal of certain telegraph and telephone poles and lines from within the flow-line of the Cross River Reservoir, and the re-location of said lines above said flow-line, and recommending that an agreement be entered into with the American Telephone & Telegraph Company therefor, was laid over.

A corrected tax bill (see Aqueduct Commissioners' letter to William Rooney, Collector of Taxes, dated December 5, 1906) for School District No. 12, Town of Cortlandt, N. Y., amounting to $10,640, was received January 15, 1907, from William Rooney, Collector of said district, and referred to the Corporation Counsel in connection with a previous communication to him on the same subject, dated December 12, 1906.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 22, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of January 15, 1907, were read and approved.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated December 31, 1906, together with applications of the following-named property owners for rights of way across city property with recommendation that the applications be denied, and that the Secretary be directed to so notify said applicants and that the opinion and accompanying communications be ordered filed, viz.:

C. P. Boell, Joseph Barrett, William E. Reynolds, John Reynolds, Horace H. Todd, Lockwood Reynolds, Ferdinand T. Hopkins, N. H. Voris, Thomas L. Purdy, George Gregory, Silas J. Purdy, George Palmer, Simeon Brady, Croton Lake Land Improvement Company, H. B. Sarles, agent.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 10, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1529 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 22, 1907, requesting authority to have two sewers or drains leading from Jerome Park Reservoir cleaned out, at an approximate cost of $150.00, was ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated January 16, 1907, in regard to proposed hearing before the Aqueduct Commissioners, relative to a lien filed by Messrs. Eugene A. Rudiger and John M. Rudiger against Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman for materials alleged to have been furnished said contractors in the construction of the new

Croton Dam, being for the sum of $1,200,000, was received and the President directed to request the Comptroller to return voucher for final payment to said contractors in order that the Commissioners might comply with said opinion.

Whereupon, the following preamble and resolutions were offered:

Whereas, Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors for the construction of the new Croton Dam, by their attorney, requested the Aqueduct Commissioners to notify Eugene A. Rudiger and John M. Rudiger, who on the 25th day of July, 1906, filed with this Commission a notice of lien against the amount due for the construction of the new Croton Dam in the sum of $1,200,000, and their attorney, John C. Wait, Esq., to appear before said Commissioners and give satisfactory evidence as to the validity of such claim, in conformity with the provisions of Section 354 of the Ordinances of the City of New York; it is hereby

Resolved, That a notice be directed to and served upon the said Eugene A. Rudiger and John M. Rudiger and their attorney, John C. Wait, directing them to appear before the Aqueduct Commissioners on Tuesday next, the 29th instant, at 11 o'clock A. M., and furnish such evidence as they may desire as to the validity of the aforesaid claim made by them and described in said notice of lien; and further

Resolved, That a notice be directed to and served upon the said Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, and their attorney, David McClure, directing them to appear before said Commissioners at the time aforesaid and furnish satisfactory evidence that the above-mentioned claim or lien has been fully paid or satisfactorily secured.

Adopted by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated January 16, 1907, in regard to voucher of M. J. Drummond & Co., for furnishing cast iron pipe, amounting to $1,357.11, was referred to the Chief Engineer.

Report No. 1519 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to bill of Trowbridge & Livingston for services as architects in co-operating in preparing plans and specifications for the erection of the superstructures of gatehouses at the Jerome Park Reservoir, amounting to $6,612.50, and recommending that the same be paid, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher therefor, by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1521 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to salaries of Assistant Engineers in the employ of the Commissioners, was ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in the foregoing report, the salaries of the following-named Assistant Engineers be and hereby are fixed at the rates set opposite their respective names, to take effect February 1, 1907, viz.:

	Per annum.
Edward E. De Lancey	$2,500
A. S. Nye, Jr.	2,500
John P. Schermerhorn	2,500
C. E. Smith	2,500
Arthur H. Diamant	2,500
William Hauck	2,500
C. E. Benedict	2,500
Claude S. Haynes	2,500
Alfred S. Burgess	2,300
Charles M. Clark	2,100
John A. Rundlett	2,100
Percy Davidson	2,100
Adelbert R. Nichols	2,100

Adopted by the following vote:

Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1523 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 7, 1907, in regard to the removal of certain telegraph and telephone wires from within the flow-line of the Cross River Reservoir, and the re-location of said lines above said flow-line, and recommending that an agreement be entered into with the American Telephone & Telegraph Company therefor, was ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel requesting return of proposed form of agreement transmitted to him for approval September 1, 1905.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 29, 1907, at 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears, Assistant Corporation Counsel John L. O'Brien, Messrs. B. F. Coleman and Jules Breuchaud, of the firm of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors for the new Croton Dam, and their counsel David McClure, Esq., and John C. Wait, Esq., counsel for Messrs. Eugene M. Rudiger and John A. Rudiger.

Pursuant to Section 354 of the City Ordinances and opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated January 16, 1907, the Commissioners proceeded with the hearing in the matter of the lien filed in this Commission on the 25th day of July, 1906, by Eugene A. Rudiger and John M. Rudiger claiming that certain moneys were due to them by the firm of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman for materials furnished to the contractors in the construction of the new Croton Dam, being for the sum of $1,200,000, notice of such hearing having been served upon the parties thereto in accordance with resolutions adopted January 22, 1907.

John C. Wait, Esq., counsel for the Messrs. Rudigers, addressed the Commissioners on their behalf, and David McClure, Esq., counsel for the contractors, addressed the Commissioners on behalf of said contractors, and submitted affidavits of Messrs. B. F. Coleman and Jules Breuchaud of said firm; and the remarks were recorded by the stenographer.

Whereupon the hearing was declared closed and the President directed to report thereon.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock P. M.

2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of January 22, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,205 to 18,212, inclusive, amounting to $9,130.52, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill of School District No. 6, Town of Yorktown, N. Y., for taxes for the year 1906 on property taken in fee by the City of New York for the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, etc., amounting to $78.00, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinions of the Corporation Counsel dated September 7, 1905, and June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Bill of Julius Frank for printing forms of contract, specifications, etc., for the flash-board equipment on the spillway of the new Croton Dam, amounting to $308.25, was presented, and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher therefor.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending January 17 and 24, 1907, were referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated January 25, 1907, stating that the sum of $50,000 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communications from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated January 22 and 23, 1907, stating that the transfers to the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity of John C. Kennerk, Inspector of Masonry, and William E. King, Transitman, had been authorized, was ordered filed and the attention of the Secretary and Chief Engineer directed thereto.

Communication from Louis L. Tribus, Acting Commissioner of Public Works, Borough of Richmond, dated January 23, 1907, in regard to certain proposed transfers in the engineer corps, was referred to the Secretary to reply.

Report No. 1530 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 26, 1907, in regard to communication from the Comptroller, dated January 16, 1907, relative to voucher in favor of M. J. Drummond for furnishing pipe in connection with the work of connecting Gatehouse 2, Jerome Park Reservoir, with the city distributing system at Bailey avenue, amounting to $1,357.11, was ordered filed and the President directed to transmit a copy thereof to the Comptroller in reply to his communication on the subject.

Report No. 1531 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 28, 1907, requesting authority to purchase certain bronze tablets to be placed on certain structures in the watershed, at an approximate cost of $750.00, was ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from John J. Fitzpatrick, Carpenter, dated January 29, 1907, in regard to his compensation, was referred to the President.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday February 5, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of January 29, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18215 to 18218, inclusive, amounting to $24,814.18, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18219 to 18244, inclusive, amounting to $6,198.74, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill of School District No. 10, Towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, N. Y., for school taxes for the year 1906 on property taken in fee by The City of New York for the construction of the new Croton Aqueduct, etc., amounting to $1,085.31, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinions of the Corporation Counsel dated September 7, 1905, and June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated January 29, 1907, in regard to vouchers of Lewis F. Ferris for $1,683.22, and Thomas Callahan, for $1,071.38, for clearing grounds, cutting weeds, etc., within the new Croton Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated January 30, 1907, transmitting, for the information of the Commissioners, copy of opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated January 24, 1907, in regard to final payment to Coldwell-Wilcox Company under their contract for furnishing, erecting, etc., sluice gates required at the new Croton Dam, was laid over.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated January 31, 1907, requesting information relative to a claim of Asa Dolen for $10,100 for alleged personal injuries caused by an obstruction on the Turnpike road in the Town of Somers, N. Y., was referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Revision of Salaries and Grades, dated January 29, 1907, requesting data in regard to a scheme for the establishment of uniform grades of compensation in the Engineer service of Greater New York, was referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Resignation of Edward H. Hopson, Topographical Draughtsman, was accepted to take effect January 31, 1907.

Communication from Abram J. Miller, dated February 2, 1907, requesting that a representative be designated to appear before Referee John Quinn on February 14, 1907, on behalf of the Aqueduct Commissioners to testify in a proceeding between the City and the Town of Southeast in regard to taxation of city property, was referred to the President to reply.

Report No. 1532 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 29, 1907, in regard to the work done under the direction of the Commissioners during the year 1906, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1533 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 5, 1907, inquiring in regard to the status of the proceedings to acquire the property designated on maps adopted October 30, 1906, known as Exhibit No. 2 of 1906 (Third Taking), and Exhibit No. 4 of 1906 (Highways), required for the Croton Falls Reservoir, was ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1534 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 5, 1907, recommending certain promotions in the Engineer Corps, was laid over.

Report No. 1535 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 29, 1907, presenting application of Edward Wegmann, to be appointed Consulting Engineer, was laid over.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, February 19, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of February 5, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18252 to 18273, inclusive, amounting to $1,519.77, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following preamble and resolution were offered:

Whereas, In the opinion of the Aqueduct Commissioners, the further sum of five hundred thousand dollars will be required to defray the necessary and lawful expenditures of the Commissioners; therefore

Resolved, That the Comptroller of The City of New York be and hereby is requested to raise the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) upon bonds of The City of New York, in conformity with the requirements of section 32, chapter 490, Laws of 1883 of the State of New York, for the uses and purposes of the Aqueduct Commissioners, as set forth in said chapter and section of said law.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 31, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated February 18, 1907, stating that the sum of $301,058.62 had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 8, 1907, requesting information in regard to three vouchers for

labor and material furnished in connection with clearing grounds and cutting weeds, etc., within the flow-line of the new Croton Reservoir, was received and referred to the President to reply.

Communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 18, 1907, stating that A. K. Silkman, Veterinarian, was authorized to render expert services, not to exceed $750 in any one year, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from George Cromwell, President Borough of Richmond, dated February 11, 1907, requesting copies of reports for library, was received and referred to the President to reply.

Application of Michael M. Reynolds, dated February 8, 1907, for change of title from Superintendent of Dam Construction to Inspector of Masonry, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Resignation of Courtlandt C. Van Vechten, Rodman, to take effect February 18, 1907, was received and accepted.

Communication of H. R. Barrett, dated February 11, 1907, asking that the Commissioners designate a time to hear a committee representing various supervisors of Westchester County whose towns were affected by the new highway system around the new Croton Reservoir, in regard to said highways and the acceptance thereof by the towns, was received and the President directed to invite the committee to appear before the Commissioners on Thursday, February 21, 1907, at 11 A. M.

Communication from the Chief Engineer, dated February 18, 1907, requesting the transfer of Michael J. Byrne, Laborer, Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, to a similar position in this Commission, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to request such transfer.

Report No. 1537 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 19, 1907, in regard to communication from the Comptroller, dated January 31, 1907, in reference to claim of Asa Dolen for $10.100 for alleged personal injuries, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to the communication from the Comptroller in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1534 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 5, 1907, recommending certain changes of titles in the Engineer Corps, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1534, the titles of the following-named persons be and hereby are changed

to Assistant Engineers, to take effect March 1, 1907, they having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission, viz.:

Tobias Hochlerner, Transitman.

William B. Caterson, Leveler.

Bernard A. Ruge, Topographical Draughtsman.

Alfred W. Arenander, Topographical Draughtsman.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1535 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 29, 1907, in regard to application of Edward Wegmann for appointment as Consulting Engineer, was laid over.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated January 30, 1907, transmitting, for the information of the Commissioners, copy of opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated January 24, 1907, in regard to final payment to Coldwell-Wilcox Company under their contract for furnishing, erecting, etc., sluice gates at the new Croton Dam, was ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer called thereto.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, date February 11, 1907, in regard to bill of Edward Wegmann for $375 for services as Expert Engineer, was laid over.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 15, 1907, in reply to a communication of January 23, 1907, concerning approval as to form of proposed form of agreement in regard to removal and re-location of telephone lines within the Cross River Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 18, 1907, stating that George Attride had passed promotion examination to Chainman and Rodman, was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned until Thursday, February 21, 1907, at 11 A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City on Thursday, February 21, 1907, at 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Mr. H. R. Barrett appeared on behalf of the towns of Bedford, North Salem, Lewisboro, New Castle, Yorktown, Cortlandt and Somers, and noted the appearance in person of the following Supervisors, viz.:

Mr. Lounsbury, of Somers; Mr. Mead, of Lewisboro; Mr. Reynolds, of North Salem, and Mr. Allen, of Cortlandt.

Mr. Barrett addressed the Commissioners in the matter of the new highways around the new Croton Reservoir and as to the acceptance thereof by the various towns affected, stating that the towns desired certain repairs made to such highways.

Whereupon, after discussion, it was agreed that the Chief Engineer be authorized to confer with the representatives of the various towns on the ground and to report the result thereof to the Commissioners.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1532 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 29, 1907, in regard to the work done under the direction of the Commissioners during the year 1906, with the recommendation that the same be printed.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1535 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 29, 1907, in regard to application of Edward Wegmann for appointment as Consulting Engineer, was ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1535, Edward Wegmann be and hereby is appointed Consulting Engineer, at a salary of $4,500 per annum, to take effect March 1, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1538 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 21, 1907, recommending that Prof. William H. Burr be retained as Expert Engineer, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That Prof. William H. Burr be employed as Expert Engineer to the Aqueduct Commissioners on matters relating to the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir, the Cross River Reservoir and the Croton Falls Reservoir, and the President is directed to request the consent of the Municipal Civil Service Commission to such employment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Secretary Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 11, 1907, in regard to bill of Edward Wegmann for services as Expert Engineer, was ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, February 26, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of February 19 and 21, 1907, were read and approved.

The Chairman of the Committee of Finance and Audit returned to the Commissioners papers in the matter of the application for the consent of the Aqueduct Commissioners to the assignment by James Malloy & Company to the Croton Falls Construction Company of their contract for the construction of the Croton Falls Reservoir, stating that pursuant to his request said contractors had furnished the consent to said assignment by the Estate of James Malloy, deceased, and the matter was thereupon referred to the President to confer with the Corporation Counsel.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending February 7, 14 and 21, 1907, were referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1539 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 26, 1907, in regard to communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated January 29, 1907, relating to vouchers of Lewis F. Ferris and Thomas Callahan for clearing grounds, cutting weeds, etc., within the New Croton Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to said communication in accordance with the report of the Chief Engineer.

Report No. 1540 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 26, 1907, submitting report covering the operations of the Aqueduct Commissioners from the date of the last report, 1895, to the end of 1906, was received and referred to the President.

The Chief Engineer returned to the Commissioners, with his approval, application of Michael M. Reynolds, dated February 8, 1907, for change of title from Superintendent of Dam Construction to Inspector of Masonry, and the President was directed to request the Municipal Civil Service Commission to authorize such change, and the communication was ordered filed.

Statement from the Comptroller, dated February 20, 1907, of warrants issued for payment of vouchers not certified to by the Aqueduct Commissioners during the month of October, 1906, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated February 21, 1907, in regard to voucher of Trowbridge & Livingston for services in co-operating in preparing plans, etc., for gate houses at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and referred to the President to reply.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated February 23, 1907, in regard to voucher in favor of Adams & Ganung for payment on account of work of erection of Engineer's office at the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated February 23, 1907, requesting return of papers in the matter of final payment to Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman for work done on the New Croton Dam, was received, and in connection therewith the President stated that the papers had been returned in pursuance of such request.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Request of Acting President, Borough of Queens, dated February 23, 1907, for the transfer to his department of William H. Meyer, Transitman, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated February 26, 1907, transmitting opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated February 21, 1907, in regard to final payment to William J. Flanagan for constructing highways, bridge piers, etc., Croton River Division, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 5, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of February 26, 1907, were read and approved.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1424 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 19, 1906, submitting information requested in resolution adopted February 20, 1906, in regard to adaptation of easterly basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir for storing filtered water, and communication of the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated March 6, 1906, requesting that work on the easterly division of said reservoir be suspended pending the determination of the filtration problem, with the recommendation that the same be filed.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,279 to 18,299, inclusive, amounting to $2,807.28, and of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,300 and 18,301, amounting to $18,416.69, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Wondolph—4.

The President orally reported that he had conferred with Assistant Corporation Counsel J. L. O'Brien in regard to consent of the estate of James Malloy, deceased, to assignment by James Malloy & Company to the Croton Falls Construction Company of their contract for the Croton Falls Reservoir, and had been advised that the consent was in proper form.

Thereupon, the following preambles and resolution were then offered:

Whereas, James Malloy & Company, contractors for the construction of the Croton Falls Reservoir (Reservoir K), in the towns of Carmel and Southeast, Putnam County, and Somers, Westchester County, N. Y., have executed an assignment (in

triplicate) to the Croton Falls Construction Company of all their right, title and interest in and to a certain contract executed by said James Malloy & Company with the Aqueduct Commissioners bearing date August 23, 1906, for the construction of said Croton Falls Reservoir; and

Whereas, The estate of James Malloy, deceased, has formally consented in writing to such assignment; and

Whereas, The Corporation Counsel has approved the assignment aforesaid, and the sureties upon said contract have consented to such assignment; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners hereby assent and consent to the assignment of the aforesaid contract, and signify their consent thereto by endorsing their signatures upon such assignment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1541 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 4, 1907, recommending that the salary of James P. Dexter, Driver, be fixed at $3.00 per day, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1541, the salary of James P. Dexter, Driver, be and hereby is fixed at three dollars, to take effect on this date.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1542 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 4, 1907, relating to communication from Deputy Comptroller, dated February 23, 1907, in regard to voucher in favor of Adams & Ganung for payment on account of work of erection of Engineer's office at the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to the communication from the Comptroller in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1543 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 4, 1907, in regard to the matter of various highways in the vicinity of the Cross River Reservoir, was received and ordered filed, and the Chief Engineer authorized to proceed with the constructing of the highways, except the highway ordered by the Court to be built across the dam, as to which the President was directed to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel.

Report No. 1544 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 5, 1907, in regard to memorial tablets at the One Hundred and Thirty-fifth Street Gate House, was received and ordered filed.

Report No. 1545 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 4, 1907, recommending that application be made to the Corporation Counsel to obtain immediate possession of Parcel No. 38, Cross River Reservoir Proceedings, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to make such application.

Report No. 1546 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 4, 1907, in regard to communication from Deputy Comptroller, dated February 26, 1907, and opinion of Corporation Counsel dated February 21, 1907, relating to final payment to William J. Flanagan for constructing highways, bridge piers, etc., Croton River Division, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to transmit a copy of said report to the Comptroller.

Communication from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 28, 1907, in regard to employment of Prof. William H. Burr, as Expert Engineer, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated March 1, 1907, certifying result of promotion examination to Leveler, was received and ordered filed.

Resignation of John Tompkins, Axeman, dated February 1, 1907, was received and accepted to take effect February 28, 1907.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated February 28, 1907, in regard to writs of execution against the salaries of City employes, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to take such action as may be necessary thereunder.

Report No. 1547 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 5, 1907, stating that no estimate was made for work on Cross River Reservoir during the month of February, 1907, the amount thereof being less than $5,000, and in accordance with provisions of contract no estimate was required, was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, March 12, 1907, the Commissioners adjourned until Wednesday, March 13, 1907, at 11 A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Wednesday, March 13, 1907, at 11 A. M.

Present—Deputy Comptroller McCooey, Commissioners Cowan (President), Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears. Also, Assistant Corporation Counsel John L. O'Brien.

Minutes of March 5, 1907, were read and approved.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated March 12, 1907, in regard to the balance to the credit of "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered filed and the following preamble and resolution were then offered:

Whereas, In the opinion of the Aqueduct Commissioners, the further sum of one million dollars will be required to defray the necessary and lawful expenditures of the Commissioners; therefore

Resolved, That the Comptroller of the City of New York be and hereby is requested to raise the sum of one million dollars ($1,000,000) upon bonds of the City of New York, in conformity with the requirements of section 32, chapter 490, Laws of 1883 of the State of New York, for the uses and purposes of the Aqueduct Commissioners, as set forth in said chapter and section of said law.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Deputy Comptroller McCooey, Commissioners Cowan, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President orally reported that a hearing having been had in the matter of the claim or lien filed with the Aqueduct Commissioners on July 25, 1906, by Messrs. Eugene A. Rudiger and John M. Rudiger against Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors for the new Croton Dam, for the sum of $1,200,000, and evidence submitted at a meeting of the Commissioners, held January 29, 1907, on behalf of the

Messrs. Rudiger, and on behalf of Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, for the purpose of enabling the Aqueduct Commissioners to satisfy themselves, under Clause S of the contract for the new Croton Dam and under the provisions of Section 354 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of New York, whether or not the amount claimed was due, that he was of the opinion that the claimants had failed to sustain such claim, or any part thereof, by satisfactory evidence, and that the contractors by affirmative evidence had satisfied the Commissioners that no such claim existed.

Whereupon, the report of the President was approved and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That the claimants, Messrs. Eugene A. Rudiger and John M. Rudiger have failed to furnish to the Aqueduct Commissioners satisfactory evidence that the claim filed by them against Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors for the new Croton Dam, for the sum of $1,200,000 is a valid and existing claim, and that no such claim has been established to the satisfaction of the Aqueduct Commissioners, the contractors having furnished affirmative evidence that no such claim exists.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Deputy Comptroller McCooey, Commissioners Cowan, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending March 7, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1548 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 11, 1907, suggesting that the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity be requested to submit six similar property maps of real estate required for the construction of the new Croton Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity is hereby requested to submit, for the approval of the Aqueduct Commissioners, the six similar property maps required by section 4, chapter 490, Laws of 1883 of the State of New York, entitled "Exhibit No. 3, of 1905," for the acquirement of the use and possession of real estate (of which the fee has been heretofore taken), used for railroad, highways and other public purposes, required for the construction of the new Croton Reservoir, in the towns of Cortlandt, Yorktown, New Castle, Bedford, Lewisboro, North Salem and Somers, Westchester County, New York.

Which was adopted.

Report No. 1549 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 12, 1907, in regard to communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Revision of Grades and Salaries, relating to a scheme for the establishment of uniform grades of compensation in the Engineer Service of Greater New York, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with said Commission in reference thereto.

Communication from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated March 9, 1907, regarding authorization of $500,000 corporate stock for uses and purposes of this Commission, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated March 11, 1907, stating that $250,882.17 was deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated March 6, 1907, regarding application for change of title of Michael M. Reynolds from Superintendent of Dam Construction to Inspector of Masonry, was received and ordered filed.

Request of John C. Kennerk, Inspector of Masonry, dated March 5, 1907, for transfer from the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity to this Commission, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 19, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of March 13, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in voucher No. 18,309, amounting to $832.50, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,310 to 18,321, inclusive, amounting to $1,757.80, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President and Secretary submitted their respective reports covering the operations of the Aqueduct Commissioners from the date of the last report, 1895, to the end of 1906; and in connection therewith the President returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1540 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 26, 1907, submitting his report covering the work of the Commissioners for said period.

Whereupon the reports were accepted and the Chief Engineer directed to prepare the necessary forms of contract, etc., for publishing the same.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending March 14, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1550 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 18, 1907, recommending the promotion of Frank M. Gaiger, Harry G. Hansen and John P. Carver to Levelers, at salaries of $1,350 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1550, Frank M. Gaiger, Harry G. Hansen and John P. Carver be and hereby are promoted to the grade of Levelers, at salaries of $1,350 per annum each, to take effect April 1, 1907, they having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on March 1, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1551 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 18, 1907, recommending the promotion of George Attride to Rodman, at a salary of 1,050 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1551, George Attride be and hereby is promoted to the grade of Rodman, at a salary of $1,050 per annum, to take effect April 1, 1907, he having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on February 18, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1552 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 18, 1907, recommending the fixing of salaries of certain employes was received and laid over.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated March 13, 1907, in regard to voucher of Trowbridge & Livingston for services as architects in co-operating in preparing plans, etc., for gatehouses required at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated March 19, 1907, transmitting resolution of said Board adopted March 15, 1907, authorizing issue of $1,000,000 corporate stock for uses and purposes of this Commission, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Harrison T. Slosson, as attorney for Charles Waterbury, dated March 13, 1907, in regard to application for right of way across city property, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 26, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of March 19, 1907, were read and approved.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending March 21, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1554 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 25, 1907, referring to a communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 15, 1907, in the matter of the removal of telephone wires and poles from within the flowline of the Cross River Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the following preambles and resolutions were offered:

Whereas, In the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, its dams and appurtenances, it has been found necessary to take possession of certain rights of way of certain telephone and telegraph lines of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, now within the limits of the flowline of the Cross River Reservoir, and to relocate said lines upon the property of the City above said flowline; and negotiations therefor were entered into with said company; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of the Aqueduct Commissioners has submitted Report No. 1523, dated January 7, 1907, in which he has referred to an estimate, dated July 21, 1905, prepared by said company, of the cost of the re-location of its lines and recommended therein that an agreement be entered into; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, agree with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company to pay said company the sum of five thousand seven hundred and ninety dollars and twenty-seven cents ($5,790.27) as compensation for all expenses and damages arising from the taking, using and occupying of its rights of way and from said re-location of its lines; and also agree to furnish said company the new

rights of way for said lines over the property of the City of New York which are to be substituted in place of the present rights of way; and further

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners submit the foregoing preambles and resolution to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its consideration and approval, and that in the event of such approval the Corporation Counsel be and hereby is requested by the Aqueduct Commissioners to prepare the necessary papers on behalf of the City of New York to carry out the intention of these resolutions.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1556 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 25, 1907, relating to communication from Deputy Comptroller, dated March 13, 1907, in regard to voucher in favor of Trowbridge & Livingston for services as architects in cooperating in preparing plans, etc., for gatehouses at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Comptroller in accordance with said report.

The Chief Engineer presented forms of contract, specifications, etc., for publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' report from 1895 to and including 1906; and the President was directed to transmit the same to the Corporation Counsel for his approval.

Communication from the Deputy Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated March 21, 1907, submitting in accordance with section 4, chapter 490, Laws of 1883, six similar property maps of lands required for the New Croton Reservoir, and designated "Exhibit No. 3 of 1905"; which was ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated March 25, 1907, in regard to the methods of rating promotion examinations, the keeping of efficiency records of graded employees, and the transmission of transcripts thereof to said Commission, was received and referred to the President.

Request of President of Borough of Queens, dated February 20, 1907, for the transfer to his department of William H. Clayton, Transitman, was ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Request of Acting President, Borough of Queens, dated February 23, 1907, for the transfer to his department of William H. Meyer, Transitman, was ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Request of the Board of Water Supply, dated March 22, 1907, for the transfer to said Board of William T. Doyle, Transitman, was ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Request of President of Borough of Bronx, dated March 22, 1907, for the transfer to his department of Edward F. Elliott, Rodman, was referred to the Chief Engineer.

On motion the President was directed to communicate with the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity in regard to the suspension of work on the easterly basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER,
Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, April 2, 1907, the Commissioners adjourned until Thursday, April 4, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Thursday, April 4, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of March 26, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,327 and 18,328, amounting to $19,682.33, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Bill of the Katonah Water Company, dated March 31, 1906, amounting to $442.00, for removing plant and appurtenances of said company from within the flowline of the New Croton Reservoir, was presented and referred to the Secretary to prepare a voucher therefor, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the City of New York, the President of this Commission be and hereby is authorized and directed to enter into a lease with the owner of the Stewart Building, in said city, for the occupancy of Rooms Nos. 206, 207, 209, 211, 213, 214, 215 and 216 by the Aqueduct Commissioners, for one year from May 1, 1907, at a rental of seven thousand five hundred dollars ($7,500) per annum, payable quarterly, at the expiration of each quarter.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending March 28, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated March 28, 1907, stating that the sum of $652,293.66 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Circular letter from the Comptroller, dated March 27, 1907, in regard to allowing money for meals to employees who perform work after the official business hours, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer and Secretary with directions to comply therewith.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated March 27, 1907, in regard to the elimination of Parcels Nos. 92, 93 and 94 (Juengst parcel), from the proceedings to acquire lands for Croton Falls Reservoir, second supplemental proceeding, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Albert H. Harris, General Counsel, New York Central & Hudson River Railroad Company, dated March 29, 1907, stating that said company had purchased certain lands between Brewster and Croton Falls which are included in condemnation proceedings brought by the city to acquire lands for the Croton Falls Reservoir, and urging that the maps be so amended as to exclude such lands from said proceedings, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated April 3, 1907, in regard to agreement with Trowbridge & Livingston for services as architects in co-operating in preparing plans, etc., for gatehouses at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and referred to the President.

Application of Greenberg & Bartlett, contractors for constructing flashboard equipment on the spillway of the new Croton Dam, dated April 3, 1907, for the consent of the Commissioners to assignment by them to the Coal and Iron National Bank of amount due on account of monthly estimate, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply that the Commissioners have no objection thereto.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, April 9, 1907, the Commissioners adjourned until Wednesday, April 10, 1907, at 11 A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Wednesday, April 10, 1907, at 11 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of April 4, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18329, amounting to $26,255.78, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18330 to 18342, inclusive, amounting to $1,730.01, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending April 4, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April 4, 1907, stating that certificates of transfers had been issued for the transfer from this Commission of William H. Clayton, Transitman; William H. Meyer, Transitman, and William T. Doyle, Transitman, was received and ordered filed.

Request of the Board of Water Supply, dated April 6, 1907, for the transfer of Bert Tompkins, Axeman, to said Board, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from Leslie McHarg & Company, dated April 5, 1907, in regard to the causes of delay in completion of their contract for erecting railing at the new Croton Dam, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April

9, 1907, stating that the State Civil Service Commission had approved action of Municipal Civil Service Commission in exempting Prof. William H. Burr, Expert Engineer, from examination, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated April 3, 1907, transmitting communication from Alvah P. French, requesting certain data in regard to condemnation proceedings, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated April 10, 1907, returning with his approval as to form, form of contract, etc., for publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report for 1895-1907, was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was thereupon offered:

Resolved, That the forms of contract and specifications, and bonds for the faithful performance thereof, for publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report for 1895-1907, approved by the Corporation Counsel on April 10, 1907, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted, and the Secretary is hereby directed to prepare, in triplicate, the necessary certificates for the certification of said forms of contract, specifications and bond by the Aqueduct Commissioners, and the President is hereby directed to transmit one of said forms of contract, etc., to the Department of Finance for filing therein.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be and they are hereby directed to advertise in the *City Record*, *New York Times*, and *The Sun* a notice inviting sealed bids or proposals for publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report for 1895-1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, April 16, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of April 10, 1907, were read and approved.

Report No. 1558 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 16, 1907, recommending that the salary of Thomas P. Murphy, Inspector of Masonry, be fixed at $5 per day, was received and ordered filed, and the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1558, the salary of Thomas P. Murphy, Inspector of Masonry, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $5 per day, to take effect April 19, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated April 13, 1907, enclosing copy of letter from H. T. Dykman, and inquiring as to whether or not steps should be taken by the Corporation Counsel to eliminate Parcels Nos. 40, 42, 43 and 44 from the Croton Falls proceedings, first supplemental, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from Greenberg & Bartlett, dated April 10, 1907, requesting permission to withdraw application for consent of Commissioners to assignment of amount of monthly estimate for work under contract for constructing flashboard equipment on the spillway of the new Croton Dam, was received and referred to the President.

The President was authorized and directed to request the transfer to this Commission of George A. Vollmar, Assistant Engineer, Board of Water Supply.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, April 23, 1907, the Commissioners adjourned until Thursday, April 25, 1907, at 10.30 A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway New York City, on Thursday, April 25, 1907, at 10.30 A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated acting Secretary.

The minutes of April 16, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18353 to 18367, inclusive, amounting to $1,838.09, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending April 11 and 18, 1907, were referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1559 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 22, 1907, requesting authority to procure two differential blocks or pulleys for handling shields at Gate House No. 1, New Croton Dam, to control the flow of water in the Old Croton Aqueduct, at an estimate cost of $250, was received and ordered filed, and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated April 15, 1907, transmitting certified copy of resolution approving renewal by Commissioners of lease of offices, was received and ordered filed.

Two communications from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated April 15, 1907, in reply to communications from this Commission, dated November 1, 1906, and December 12, 1906, relating to the payment of taxes for 1902-1903, Town of Yorktown, N. Y., and also in regard to the payment of taxes for 1906 for School District No. 3, Town of Cortlandt, and School District No. 12, Towns of Cortlandt and Yorktown, respectively, were received and referred to the President, who thereupon stated that he had conferrd with Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling on the subject, who requested that he communicate with I. J. Beaudrias, special counsel, in regard to the matter.

Communication from Jacob G. Rubenstein, Transitman, dated April 15, 1907, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary to the Commission on the Revision of Salaries and Grades, dated April 23, 1907, accompanied by tentative schedule of positions and grades, asking if any additional positions or grades are needed to increase the efficiency of employees and whether titles suggested in tentative schedule could be changed to be more correctly descriptive of duties of several incumbents, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated April 22, 1907, stating that $15,052.93 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from David McClure, Esq., counsel for Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated April 24, 1907, asking when he can appear before the Commissioners in regard to bills of said contractors for extra work, was received and referred to the President for reply.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, April 30, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of April 25, 1907, were read and approved.

Report No. 1560 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 23, 1907, in regard to the steel derrick towers at the Cross River Dam, was received and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel, transmitting a copy of said report and requesting an opinion in regard to the matter.

The following reports of the Chief Engineer, in regard to bills of Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors, were received and laid over until the next meeting.

Report No. 1561, dated April 22, 1907, referring to bills dated October 26, 1905, and December 1, 1905, for furnishing and laying 900 feet of 12-inch vitrified drain-pipe, amounting, respectively, to $675 and $375.

Report No. 1562, dated April 29, 1907, referring to bill dated December 1, 1904, for pointing joints in the masonry on the up-stream face of the New Croton Dam, amounting to $1,170.19.

Report No. 1563, dated April 22, 1907, referring to bills dated January 5, 1905, and April 5, 1906, for work in connection with closing the openings through the New Croton Dam, amounting, respectively, to $1,356.20 and $1,367.90.

Report No. 1564, dated April 22, 1907, referring to bills dated April 5, 1906, and April 9, 1906, for drilling holes and grouting seams at New Croton Dam, amounting, respectively, to $488.62 and $1,051.66.

Report No. 1565, dated April 29, 1907, referring to bills dated June 16, 1904, for removing masonry spoiled by frost, and replaced with rubble masonry, amounting to $4,052.16.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated April 29, 1907, stating that $10,035.30 and $25,088.22 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Secretary Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April 25, 1907, stating that promotion from Leveler to Transitman had been ordered, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Chief Engineer called thereto.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 7, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

David McClure, Esq., Counsel for Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors for the new Croton Dam, and Mr. Jules Breuchaud of said firm.

The regular order of business was suspended, and the Commissioners proceeded with the consideration of the following bills, in connection with which Mr. McClure, on behalf of said contractors, addressed the Commissioners.

Report No. 1561 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 22, 1907, recommending payment of two bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated October 26, 1905, and December 1, 1905, for furnishing and laying 900 feet of 12-inch vitrified drainpipe, amounting respectively to $675 and $375, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the necessary certificate and voucher for the payment thereof, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1562 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 29, 1907, in regard to bill of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated December 1, 1904, for pointing joints in the masonry on the up-stream face of the new Croton Dam, amounting to $1,170.19, was considered and laid over.

Report No. 1563 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 22, 1907, recommending payment of bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated January 5, 1905, and April 5, 1906, for work in connection with closing the openings through the new Croton Dam, amounting respectively to $1,356.20 and $1,367.90, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the necessary certificates and vouchers for the payment thereof, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1564 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 22, 1907, recommending payment of bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated April 5, 1906, and April 9, 1906, amounting respectively to $488.62 and $1,051.66, for drilling holes and grouting

seams at the new Croton Dam, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the necessary certificates and vouchers for the payment thereof, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1565 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 29, 1907, in regard to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated June 16, 1904, for removing masonry spoiled by frost, and replaced with rubble masonry, amounting to $4,052.16, was considered and laid over.

The following bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors, were presented and the Secretary directed to prepare the necessary vouchers for the payment thereof, viz.:

Bill dated February 5, 1906, for split stone furnished covering culverts on new highways	$617 10
Bill dated March 13, 1905, cutting out brick work in roof of tunnel through Main dam	88 35
Bill dated August 12, 1905, grouting south abutment Bridge "B"	28 47
Bill dated June 8, 1905, trimming cut stone, placing drain-pipe and anchoring valves, etc	112 70
Bill dated May 5, 1905, cutting out concrete masonry to admit of placing valves in stop-cock chamber, etc	196 90
Bill dated May 5, 1905, setting stones in bond holes left in the face of south abutment for 200 foot arch bridge	85 58
Bill dated April 8, 1905, setting stones in face of north abutment for 200 foot arch bridge	68 45
Bill dated December 28, 1904, making expansion joints in concrete forming the arch of new sections of aqueduct, old aqueduct reconstruction.	350 00
Bill dated January 25, 1906, anchoring base course along roadway on top of new Croton Dam	612 50

The Chief Engineer presented the following bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors, which were referred back to him for report, viz.:

Bill dated February 1, 1906, chisel draft on stone laid in masonry	$1,238.54
Bill dated April 9, 1906, cutting bearing places on upstream side of dam for stands and brackets over lower sluice gate stems	543.22
Bill dated December 5, 1905, ditto	40.03
Bill dated August 23, 1905, hauling steel for aqueduct blow-off and to furnish steel for reinforcing stop-cock valve chamber	35.54
Bill dated June 8, 1905, making expansion joints in fountain	28.58
Bill dated June 1, 1904, finishing concrete surface on abutment at end of overflow	12.45

Bill dated July 12, 1905, plastering roof of blow-off chamber and stairway landings gatehouse 2	37.10
Bill dated November 8, 1905, finishing concrete surface on roof of blow-off chamber gatehouse 2	14.83
Bill dated January 15, 1906, finishing concrete surface in blow-off chamber, gatehouse 2	29.89
Bill dated March 1, 1904, cutting access holes in arch of old aqueduct and cutting out and repairing brickwork and doing toothing in connection with reinforcing old aqueduct	204.77
Bill dated July 14, 1904, ditto	2,626.01
Bill dated August 5, 1904, ditto	481.07
Bill dated October 12, 1904, ditto	1,481.39
Bill dated December 20, 1904, ditto	33.36
Bill dated April 8, 1905, stone cutting on skew backs of 200-ft. arch bridge	196.21
Bill dated July 12, 1905, ditto	150.97
Bill dated January 15, 1906, ditto	56.52
Bill dated February 10, 1906, ditto	184.04
Bill dated July 12, 1905, tests of twisted steel rods	9.73
Bill dated November 8, 1905, ditto	17.25
Bill dated January 15, 1906, ditto	46.45
Bill dated February 10, 1906, ditto	49.22
Bill dated March 14, 1906, ditto	38.82
Bill dated April 8, 1905, temporary regulating arrangement for gates in old aqueduct, gatehouse 1	62.80
Bill dated May 5, 1905, ditto	16.18
Bill dated June 8, 1905, ditto	43.38
Bill dated October 11, 1905, ditto	9.43
Bill dated January 25, 1906, paint and labor, cuts and beds of top rail and side joints, etc., etc	519.80
Bill dated February 15, 1905, ditto	233.91
Bill dated October 10, 1904, trimming masonry	35.95
Bill dated November 7, 1904, ditto	176.62
Bill dated December 5, 1904, ditto	262.21
Bill dated January 9, 1905, ditto	65.43
Bill dated April 11, 1905, ditto	18.33
Bill dated May 5, 1905, ditto	25.45
Bill dated June 8, 1905, ditto	54.19
Bill dated September 4, 1905, ditto	8.17
Bill dated November 8, 1905, ditto	13.98
Bill dated January 15, 1906, ditto	20.08

Bill dated February 10, 1906, ditto	58.57
Bill dated February 8, 1905, placing lower sluice gates, brackets, etc	143.43
Bill dated March 13, 1905, ditto	22.23
Bill dated April 5, 1905, ditto	5.43
Bill dated February 8, 1905, hauling, handling and placing screens in gate openings, gatehouse 2	104.42
Bill dated February 8, 1905, removing track and covering on gatehouse 1, etc.	61.69
Bill dated November 11, 1905, painting upstream rubble face surface of main dam extension	316.19
Bill dated January 4, 1906, materials furnished and placed in connection with work of finishing roadway on top of dam	353.60
Bill dated October 1, 1904, painting with cement Osser Brook Loop	28.50
Bill dated July 15, 1904, staircase facing	412.57
Bill dated October 1, 1904, painting with cement Osser Brook loop	64.50

The minutes of April 30, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in vouchers Nos. 18,372 and 18,373, amounting to $97,492.34, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,374 to 18,395, both inclusive, amounting to $30,828.49, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for state, county and town taxes for the year 1906 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of the new Croton Aqueduct, etc., are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the Comptroller, dated June 12, 1906, viz.:

Town of North Salem, N. Y.	$576.80
Town of Lewisboro, N. Y.	556.86
Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	519.74
Town of Somers, N. Y.	760.67
Town of Cortlandt, N. Y.	26,108.08

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported with regard to tax bill for School District No. 12, Towns of Cortlandt and Yorktown, referred to in opinion of Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated April 16, 1907: That he had called upon Mr. Hazelhurst, Trustee, and Mr. William Rooney, Collector of School District No. 12, Towns of Cortlandt and

Yorktown, who stated that at the district meeting, held for the purpose of fixing the school budget for the year 1906, no amount was fixed for school purposes, but a rate only, which resulted in a tax upon city property in said district under the jurisdiction of the Aqueduct Commissioners of $10,000, although as stated by such officials, only $600 approximately would be required for school maintenance. The President therefore recommended that said tax bill be not approved.

The report of the President was adopted, and he was requested to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to whether or not any further action on the part of the Commission was necessary.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending April 25 and May 2, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

The Chief Engineer returned request of Board of Water Supply, dated April 6, 1907, for the transfer of Bert Tompkins, Axeman in this Commission, to a similar position in said Board, and stated that he had no objection thereto, and the President was authorized to consent to such transfer.

The Chief Engineer also returned request of the President of the Borough of the Bronx, dated March 22, 1907, for the transfer of Edward F. Elliott, Rodman in this Commission, to a similar position in his department, and stated that he had no objection thereto, and the President was authorized to consent to such transfer.

Report No. 1566 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 7, 1907, recommending the appointment of George A. Vollmar as Assistant Engineer, at a salary of $1,800 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1566, George A. Vollmar be and hereby is appointed Assistant Engineer, at a salary of $1,800 per annum, to take effect May 15, 1907, his transfer from the Board of Water Supply having been approved by the Municipal Civil Service Commission May 1, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Circular letter from the Comptroller, dated May 1, 1907, requesting that upon the employment of a workingman, mechanic or laborer he be required to execute an agreement releasing the city from any claim or cause of action that might accrue to him by reason of the fact that at any time during the course of his employment the rate of wages paid to him might be less than the prevailing rate for the particular occupation in which he is engaged, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary called thereto.

Request of Commissioner of Bridges, dated May 4, 1907, for the transfer of John

J. Regan, Inspector of Masonry in this Commission, to a similar position in his department, was received and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Resignation of Eugene R. Pommer, Mechanical Draughtsman, to take effect April 30, 1907, was received and accepted as of said date.

Resignation of Jacob G. Rubenstein, Transitman, to take effect May 2, 1907, was received and accepted as of said date.

Resignation of Edward P. Murray, Transitman, to take effect on May 15, 1907, was received and accepted to take effect on said date.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated May 6, 1907, stating that on May 1, 1907, the sum of $5,017.65 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 14, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of May 7, 1907, were read and approved.

Report No. 1567 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 9, 1907, submitting final estimate of work done by Leslie McHarg & Company for furnishing and erecting railings at the new Croton Dam, and recommending that the same be paid in full, was received and ordered filed and the following preambles and resolution offered:

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of this Commission has certified, under date of May 9, 1907, that, in his opinion, Leslie McHarg & Company have completely performed and carried out the provisions of their contract with this Commission for furnishing and erecting railings at the new Croton Dam, dated February 2, 1906, and has stated from actual measurements the whole amount of work done and materials furnished under and according to the terms of said contract, and the true value thereof; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer has submitted Report No. 1567, dated May 9, 1907, stating that no loss or inconvenience has been experienced by the City on account of any delay and no direct and computable damages caused to the City by the failure of the contractors to complete the work within the specified time can be shown, and recommending that the final estimate be paid in full; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners hereby accept the work done and materials furnished by Leslie McHarg & Company under the contract above referred to, and direct that a proper voucher for the final payment therefor be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18398 to 18415, inclusive, amounting to $6,361.68, and of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,416 and 18,417, amounting to $10,057.05, which

were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for State, County and Town taxes for the year 1906 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Town of Bedford, N. Y., amounting to $2,633.14, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the Comptroller, dated June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for interest on State, County and Town taxes for the years 1902 and 1903, on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Town of Yorktown, N. Y. (the taxes for which were not paid until 1905 pursuant to opinion of Corporation Counsel, dated September 7, 1905), amounting to $167.66, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for school taxes for the year 1906 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in School District No. 3, Town of Cortlandt, N. Y., amounting to $778.11, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the Comptroller, dated June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1568 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 13, 1907, in regard to communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated March 27, 1907, in regard to the acquisition of rights sought to be acquired in the Croton Falls, second supplemental or third taking, in so far as they relate to the Juengst parcels (Nos. 92, 93 and 94), and the elimination of said parcels from such proceeding, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1569 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 13, 1907, in regard to communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated April 13, 1907, and relating to the elimination of Parcels 40, 42, 43 and 44, Croton Falls, first supplemental proceeding, and also of a portion of parcels 74, 76 and 77, and all of parcels 78 and 79 from the Croton Falls, second supplemental proceeding, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1570 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 13, 1907, requesting authority to have the necessary work done and materials furnished to connect 48-inch pipe line drain from Gatehouse No. 2, Jerome Park Reservoir, with the sewer in Broadway at Van Cortlandt Park, at an approximate cost of $75.00, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Reports Nos. 1571 and 1573 to 1587, both inclusive, relating to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, which were referred to the Chief Engineer for report on May 7, 1907, were received and referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit.

Opinion from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated May 9, 1907, in reply to letter of July 18, 1906, in regard to action brought by Edward M. Grout, attorney, for Samuel P. McConnell, against the Town Board of Cortlandt, relative to the expenditure by said town of certain moneys paid to it by The City of New York in connection with the maintenance of its highways and guard-rails, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with Edward M. Grout, attorney for said McConnell, transmitting a copy of said opinion.

Circular letter from the Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated May 9, 1907, transmitting draft of proposed Schedule "C," the Inspection Service, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from David McClure, attorney for Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated May 10, 1907, requesting an opportunity to be heard in regard to certain bills of said contractors, was received and referred to the President for reply.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 21, 1907, at 12 o'clock noon.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Pursuant to the following notice, published for fifteen consecutive days in the "City Record," the "Sun" and the "New York Times," commencing May 3, 1907:

The Aqueduct Commissioners,

Room 207, Stewart Building, No. 280 Broadway,

New York, May 1, 1907.

TO CONTRACTORS.

Sealed bids or proposals for printing, binding and publishing one thousand copies of the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report for 1895-1907, will be received by the Aqueduct Commissioners at the above office until 12 o'clock noon on Tuesday, May 21, 1907, at which hour and place the bids will be publicly opened and read; the award of the contract, if awarded, will be made by the Aqueduct Commissioners as soon thereafter as practicable.

The security required will be $2,000.

The contractor shall complete the work and deliver the 1,000 bound copies of the report at the Aqueduct Commissioners' Office within four months of the signing and sealing of the contract.

The work is authorized by chapter 490, Laws of 1883, of the State of New York, and the amendments thereto.

No bid will be received or considered unless accompanied by either a certified check upon one of the State or National Banks of The City of New York, drawn to the order of the Comptroller, or money, to the amount of $500.

Copies of a pamphlet containing further information for bidders, form of proposal, bond approved by the Corporation Counsel, and forms of contract and specifications can be obtained at the office of the Aqueduct Commissioners on application in person or by mail.

JOHN F. COWAN, President.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

—bids have been received for printing, binding and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report, 1895-1907.

The following bids, each accompanied by a certified check for $500, were then opened and read aloud by the Secretary:

Bid No. 1—Isaac Henderson, proprietor of the Evening Post Job Printing Office, Vesey street, west of Broadway.

Bid No. 2—Martin B. Brown Co., Nos. 49-57 Park place.

Bid No. 3—William P. Mitchell, 133 William street.

Bid No. 4—Ed Crager, 2 Duane street.

Bid No. 5—Clarence S. Nathan, 9 and 11 Franklin street.

Whereupon the following preamble and resolution were offered:

Whereas, Bids for printing, binding and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report, 1895-1907, have been received and publicly opened and read; therefore

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer and Secretary be and they are hereby directed to have said bids calculated and tabulated and submit the same at a meeting of the Construction Committee of the Aqueduct Commissioners, to be held on Tuesday, May 28, 1907, at 11 A. M., for consideration and canvassing by them; and the bids and checks of the bidders so received are hereby referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit for examination and report to the Commissioners as to their formality and the sufficiency of the sureties proposed by the bidders.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock P. M.

2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of May 4, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18421 and 18422, amounting to $143.96, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for State, County and Town taxes for the year 1906 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, etc., in the Town of New Castle, N. Y., amounting to $107.33,

is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the Comptroller dated June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for school taxes for the year 1906 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, etc., in School District No. 5, Town of North Salem, N. Y., amounting to $36.63, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the Comptroller, dated June 12, 1906

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending April 25, and May 2, 1907, were referred to the Construction Committee.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated April 23, 1907, accompanied by tentative schedule of positions and grades, in regard to any additional positions or grades required to increase efficiency of employees and whether titles suggested in said schedules could be changed to be more descriptive of the duties of the several incumbents, and the Chairman reported that he had appeared before said Commission in accordance with said communication; which action was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Eligible list of Computers from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated May 17, 1907, was referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communications from F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated May 16 and May 17, 1907, transmitting drafts of proposed Schedule "B," the "Engineering Service," and Schedule "D," the "Attendance Service," respectively, for approval or suggestion, were referred to the President for reply.

Three communications from the Comptroller, dated May 20, 1907, stating that the following sums had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were ordered entered on the books and filed, viz.: $2,007.06, $4,014.12, $85,000.00.

Communication from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated May 20, 1907, transmitting certified copy of resolutions adopted by said Board on May 10, 1907, approving map or plan showing location, area and dimensions of strips or parcels of land situated in Westchester and Putnam counties, between Croton Falls and Brewster, required for the corporate purposes of the New York and Harlem Railroad Company, and the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, as lessee of the New York and Harlem Railroad, in pursuance of Chapter 615 of the Laws of 1903, was received and ordered filed.

The following resolutions were offered:

Resolved, That the six similar property maps submitted by the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity on March 21, 1907, entitled "Exhibit No. 3 of 1905," for the acquirement of the use and possession of real estate (of which the fee has been heretofore taken), used for railroad, highway and other public purposes, required for the construction of the New Croton Reservoir in the towns of Cortlandt, Yorktown, New Castle, Bedford, Lewisboro, North Salem and Somers, Westchester County, New York, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted; and be it further

Resolved, That said maps, with a certificate of said approval written thereon and signed by the Aqueduct Commissioners, be transmitted to the Corporation Counsel for filing and delivery to the Commissioners of Appraisal, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 490, Laws of 1883 of the State of New York, and the acts amendatory thereof; and the Corporation Counsel is hereby requested to take the steps necessary to acquire for the City, under Chapter 490, of the Laws of 1883 of the State of New York, and the acts amendatory thereof, the use and possession of the lands described on said maps; and the Secretary is hereby directed to furnish to the Corporation Counsel all maps, plans, etc., which he may require in the premises.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from President of the Borough of The Bronx, dated May 20, 1907, that Edward F. Elliott had been appointed Rodman in his department, to take effect June 1, 1907, was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY. W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 28, 1907, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of May 21, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18428, amounting to $2,559, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18429 to 18432, both inclusive, amounting to $568.92, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination of bids and checks received May 21, 1907, for printing, binding and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report 1895-1907; that all the bids seemed to be in the form required; that from the information obtained the sureties therein proposed appeared to be sufficient, and that the security deposits accompanying said bids were transmitted to the Comptroller May 21, 1907 .

The report of the Committee was approved.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for State, County and Town Taxes for the year 1906 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., Town of Poundridge, N. Y., amounting to $11.62, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel to the Comptroller, dated June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction or Executive Committee referred to the Commissioners the following joint report of the Chief Engineer and Secretary:

Report No. 1589 C. C.

NEW YORK, May 21, 1907.

To the Construction or Executive Committee:

GENTLEMEN—In accordance with the resolution adopted at the meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners this day, the undersigned have tabulated the bids received for publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report for 1895-1907 as follows, beginning with the lowest:

Bidder.	Amount of Bid.
William P. Mitchell	$3,063 72
Martin B. Brown Company	3,073 00
The Evening Post Job Printing Office	4,457 59
Clarence S. Nathan	5,330 00
Ed Crager	5,628 75
Chief Engineer's estimate	8,000 00

Respectfully,

WALTER H. SEARS, Chief Engineer.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Which was ordered filed.

The following resolution was thereupon offered:

Resolved, That the bid or proposal of William P. Mitchell for printing, binding and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Report 1895-1907, bids for which were received and opened May 21, 1907, be and hereby is accepted; and the contract therefor be and it hereby is awarded to said William P. Mitchell at the prices stated in his bid; and the Secretary is hereby authorized to notify the successful bidder and to attend to the other necessary details.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending May 9, 16 and 23, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from Secretary, Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated May 20, 1907, transmitting letter from W. W. Niles, dated May 15, 1907, in regard to the condition of gutters across the driveway along west side of Jerome Park Reservoir, were received, and in connection therewith the President reported that he had replied to said communication stating that plans had already been made to remedy the condition complained of, and that work would promptly be commenced thereunder.

The action of the President was approved and the communications ordered filed.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated May 23, 1907, transmitting papers in the matter of judgment obtained by George A. Thompson for the sum of $3,450.90 for expert services in connection with certain proceedings for the acquisition of real property for the purposes of this Commission, and requesting that a voucher therefor be prepared, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Request of George N. Pindar of the American Museum of Natural History, dated May 23, 1907, requesting copy of Commissioners' report, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communications from Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated May 21 and 23, 1907, transmitting copies of Schedule "C," "Inspection Service," and also Schedule "B," "The Engineering Service," and Schedule "D," "The Attendant Service," were received and ordered filed.

Report No. 1572 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, in regard to bill of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, for painting a portion of the old Aqueduct at Orser Brook loop with neat Portland cement, amounting to $64.50, was received and laid over.

Report No. 1590 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, in regard to bill of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, for labor and materials to fit details of staircase to facing of Main Dam, amounting to $304.08, was received and laid over.

Report No. 1591 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, asking authority to replace temporary gutter at or near junction of Sedgwick avenue and private road at Jerome Park Reservoir with a permanent drain, at an approximate cost of $350, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1592 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, in regard to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, for plastering joints of facing stone masonry on upstream side of dam, amounting to $388.41, was received and laid over.

Report No. 1593 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, recommending that Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity be requested to consent to transfer of John C. Kennerk, Inspector of Masonry, to this Commission, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to make such request.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, June 4, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Also, David McClure, Esq., Counsel for Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, and Mr. Jules Breuchaud, of said firm.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended.

The Committee of Finance and Audit returned to the Commissioners the following reports of the Chief Engineer, in regard to bills of Messrs. Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, contractors, which were referred to the Committee May 14, 1907:

Report No. 1571, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated February 1, 1906, cutting chisel drafts on stone laid in masonry at the New Croton Dam, amounting to $1,238.54;

Report No. 1573, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated April 9, 1906, cutting bearing places on faces of upstream side of dam for stands and brackets for lower sluice-gate stems, amounting to $543.22;

Report No. 1574, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated April 11, 1906, labor and materials furnished for reinforcing concrete masonry in connection with blow-off, etc., amounting to $75.57;

Report No. 1575, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated June 8, 1905, labor and materials for making expansion joints in circular concrete basin of the fountain below the dam, amounting to $28.58;

Report No. 1576, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated April 5, 1906, labor and materials to finish flooring surfaces in connection with staircase and other structures of New Croton Dam, amounting to $94.27;

Report No. 1577, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated December 20, 1905, cut-

ting out brick work and doing toothing in connection with work of reinforcing old aqueduct amounting to $4,826.60;

Report No. 1578, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated April 5, 1906, necessary stone cutting on skew-backs of 200-foot arch bridge, etc., amounting to $587.74;

Report No. 1579, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated April 5, 1906, labor and materials to complete tests of twisted steel rods, etc., amounting to $161.47;

Report No. 1580, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated April 5, 1906, supplying temporary regulating arrangement for gates, old aqueduct, gatehouse No. 1, placing temporary bulkhead, etc., amounting to $131.79;

Report No. 1581, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bills dated January 25, 1905, and February 15, 1905, painting cuts and beds of top rails and side joints and cuts in posts to receive same in guard rail fencing, amounting to $753.71;

Report No. 1582, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bills dated April 5, 1906, trimming main dam masonry, amounting to $738.98;

Report No. 1583, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated May 9, 1906, placing sluice-gates, brackets, etc., required at upstream end of two 48-inch pipes laid through river tunnel, amounting to $171.09;

Report No. 1584, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated February 8, 1905, hauling, handling and placing screens in gate openings of Gatehouse 2, amounting to $104.42.

Report No. 1585, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated February 8, 1905, removing track and covering on Gatehouse No. 1, etc., amounting to $61.69;

Report No. 1586, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated November 11, 1905, painting or washing upstream rubble face of Main Dam Extension with neat Portland cement, amounting to $316.19;

Report No. 1587, dated May 14, 1907, in regard to bill dated January 4, 1906, furnishing and placing wire rope, grease, etc., and applying asphalt in connection with work of finishing roadway on top of dam, amounting to $353.60.

Whereupon the Chief Engineer having reported upon each of the foregoing bills, stating that the work referred to therein was necessary; that said contractors were in a position to do such work most advantageously to the city; that said work was not included in any item of the contract for the construction of the New Croton Dam; that the prices are just and reasonable, and recommending that said bills be paid, the Secretary was directed to prepare the necessary certificates and vouchers for the payment thereof by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1572 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, recommending payment

of bill of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated October 18, 1904, for painting, with neat Portland cement, a portion of the old aqueduct at the Orser Brook Loop, amounting to $64.50, which was laid over May 28, 1907, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the necessary voucher for the payment of said bill by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1590 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1907, recommending payment of bill of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated July 15, 1904, for labor and materials to fit details of staircase to facing of Main Dam, amounting to $304.08, which was laid over May 28, 1907, was ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the necessary voucher for the payment of said bill by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following reports of the Chief Engineer, in regard to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, which were previously laid over, were taken up and ordered returned to the Chief Engineer for further report, viz.:

Report No. 1562, dated April 29, 1907, in regard to bill dated December 1, 1904, for pointing joints in the masonry on the upstream face of New Croton Dam, amounting to $1,170.19.

Report No. 1565, dated April 29, 1907, in regard to bills dated June 16, 1904, for removing masonry spoiled by frost, and replaced with rubble masonry, amounting to $4,052.16.

Report No. 1592, dated May 28, 1907, in regard to bills dated July 1, 1905, for plastering joints of facing stone masonry on upstream side of dam, amounting to $388.41.

The minutes of May 28, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in voucher No. 18,435, amounting to $83,443.65, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,436 to 18,449, both inclusive, amounting to $5,915.42, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported that a communication had been received from Eugene H. Porter, State Commissioner of Health, dated at Albany, May 27, 1907, with regard to the changing of the water level in the reservoir impounded by Muscoot Dam and its effect upon the sanitary condition of the Town of Bedford, which he had referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

The action of the President was approved.

Report No. 1595 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 4, 1907, relating to the com-

munication of Eugene H. Porter, State Commissioner of Health, dated May 27, 1907, above referred to, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply in accordance with said report.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending May 30, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1594 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 4, 1907, recommending the appointment of Robert J. O'Meara as Computer, at a salary of $1,800 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1594, Robert J. O'Meara be and hereby is appointed Computer at a salary of $1,800 per annum, to take effect when assigned to duty, he having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission May 24, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated May 27 and June 3, 1907, stating that the sum of $25,000 and $50,000, respectively, had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated June 3, 1907, in reply to letter of May 15, 1907, in reference to elimination of Parcels 92, 93 and 94 from the Croton Falls, second supplemental proceeding, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from N. P. Bushnell, Counsel to Board of Highway Commissioners of the Town of Cortlandt, N. Y., dated May 28, 1907, in regard to acceptance of highways and guard rail fences by various towns in Westchester County, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, June 11, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph.

The minutes of June 4, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18452 and 18453, amounting to $39,948.90, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18454 to 18456, both inclusive, amounting to $4,858.97, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Martin Geiszler, Superintendent of Highways, Borough of The Bronx, dated June 6, 1907, in regard to the condition of sidewalk at Aqueduct avenue, East, and One Hundred and Eighty-first street, near Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Resolutions adopted by Board of Aldermen May 28, 1907, regarding leave of absence to veterans to attend encampment at Utica, was received and referred to President.

Application of Michael M. Reynolds, dated June 6, 1907, for change of title from Superintendent of Dam Construction to Inspector of Masonry, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to make such application to the Municipal Civil Service Commission.

On motion, the President was directed to communicate with the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity in regard to the suspension of work on the easterly basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir, requesting the information referred to in the communication of the Commissioners of March 27, 1907, upon the same subject.

The Commisioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, June 18, 1907, the meeting stood adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretar

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, June 25, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of June 11, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 15463 to 15469, both inclusive, amounting to $5,925.96, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of circular letter from F. A. Spencer, Secretary of the Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated June 20, 1907, transmitting draft of Schedule "K," "Special Positions," and stated that he had replied thereto.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

The Vice-President reported the receipt of application from Greenberg & Bartlett, dated June 17, 1907, for the consent of the Commissioners to the assignment of payments due upon contract for flashboard equipment on the spillway of the new Croton Dam, for months of April and May, and stated that he had consented thereto.

The action of the Vice-President was approved and the application ordered filed.

Report No. 1596 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 18, 1907, in regard to bill of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated December 1, 1904, for pointing or repointing joints in masonry on upstream face of new Croton Dam, amounting to $1,170.19, was received and ordered filed and payment thereof disallowed.

Report No. 1597 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 21, 1907, recommending pay-

ment of bill of Alice J. Gowen for use of stable, amounting to $25, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare voucher therefor.

Report No. 1598 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 21, 1907, in regard to sale of grass on the Croton River Division, was received and referred to the President to take the necessary steps for the sale thereof.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated June 17, 1907, requesting a statement in regard to the amount of water that it is the intention of the City to divert from the east branch of the Croton river, for use in connection with a claim filed by Messrs. Juengst Sons with the Commissioners of Appraisal in the First Croton Falls Proceeding, was received, together with Report No. 1599 of the Chief Engineer thereon.

The President was directed to reply to said communication in accordance with the report of the Chief Engineer, and the communication and report were ordered filed.

Report No. 1600 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 24, 1907, in regard to salaries of certain employees in the Engineer Corps, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in the foregoing report, the salaries of the following-named employees be and hereby are fixed at the amount set opposite their respective names, to take effect July 1, 1907, viz:

Horace B. Loomis, Assistant Engineer.....$1,800.00 per annum.
Benjamin F. Underhill, Transitman..... 1,650.00 per annum.
John J. Hanney, Laborer..... 3.00 per day.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1601 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 24, 1907, requesting authority to have a cast iron gauge placed on the upstream gatehouse of the Cross River Dam, to indicate elevation of water behind dam, at an approximate cost of $250, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1602 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 25, 1907, upon the Jerome Park Reservoir, "with an account of the main features of the construction and the purposes which its completion accomplishes," was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1603 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 25, 1907, in regard to salaries of certain employees, was received, and in connection therewith Report No. 1552 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 18, 1907, which was laid over March 19, 1907, upon the same subject, was considered.

Whereupon, said reports were ordered filed and the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Report No. 1552, the salaries of the following-named employees be and hereby are fixed at the amounts set opposite their respective names, to take effect July 1, 1907, viz:

Tobias Hochlerner, Assistant Engineer	$1,800 per annum
William B. Caterson, Assistant Engineer	1,500 per annum
Bernard A. Ruge, Assistant Engineer	1,950 per annum
Alfred W. Arenander, Assistant Engineer	1,800 per annum
Albion W. Falk, Architectural Draftsman	2,250 per annum
Sidney Friedman, Mechanical Draftsman	1,650 per annum
Frank B. McLean, Transitman	1,650 per annum
William H. Butler, Laborer	$3.00 per day
William H. Koehler, Laborer	3.00 per day
Walter Williams, Laborer	2.50 per day
Harry Voorhees, Machinist Helper	3.00 per day
William Cargon, Driver	2.50 per day
John St. Peter, Driver	2.50 per day
Abraham Clerke, Stoker	3.00 per day
Timothy Ring, Flagger	3.00 per day

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending June 6 and 13, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated June 19, 1907, authorizing transfer of Michael M. Reynolds from the position of Superintendent of Dam Construction to that of Inspector of Masonry, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That Michael M. Reynolds be and hereby is transferred from the position of Superintendent of Dam Construction to that of Inspector of Masonry, pursuant to authorization by the Municipal Civil Service Commission under date of June 19, 1907.

Which was adopted.

Request of Deputy Commissioner of Bridges, dated June 18, 1907, for the transfer to his department of William J. Boylan, Inspector of Masonry in this Commission, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from the Croton Falls Construction Company, contractor for the construction of the Croton Falls Reservoir, dated June 22, 1907, in regard to non-

payment of estimates for contract work upon said reservoir, was received and referred to the President with direction to communicate with the Comptroller upon the subject.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Aldermen, dated June 11, 1907, with regard to granting leave of absence with pay, to exempt veteran firemen to attend convention, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer and Secretary to comply so far as practicable.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, July 2, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of June 25, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,474 to 18,481, both inclusive, amounting to $933.50, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1,602 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 25, 1907, on the Jerome Park Reservoir, with the recommendation that the same be returned to the Chief Engineer for amendment.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending June 20 and 27, 1907, were referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1,604 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 25, 1907, recommending payment of bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated February 8, 1905, and January 5, 1905, for repairs required in the reconstruction of the Old Croton Aqueduct, amounting, respectively, to $246.81 and $29.75, was received and ordered filed, the action of the Engineer approved and the Secretary directed to prepare vouchers for the payment of said bills, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,605 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated March 1, 1901, for Portland cement used in pointing joints of rubble masonry, amounting to $895.81, was received and returned to the Chief Engineer for further report.

Report No. 1,606 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated July 1, 1905, for pointing joints of facing stone masonry on up-stream side of New Croton Dam, and for cement, amounting, re-

spectively to $388.41 and $96.00, was received and ordered filed and payment thereof disallowed.

Report No. 1607 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to bills of Coleman, Breuchaud & Coleman, dated June 16, 1904, for removing masonry spoiled by frost, and replaced with rubble masonry, amounting to $4,052.16, was received and ordered filed and payment thereof disallowed.

Communication from Comptroller, dated July 1, 1907, stating that $50,000 had been deposited to credit of Additional Water Fund on June 17, 1907, was ordered entered on the books and filed.

Opinion from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated June 29, 1907, in regard to the erection of steel derrick towers in the Cross River Dam, under the contract for the construction thereof, was received and ordered filed, the attention of the Chief Engineer called thereto and the President directed to communicate with the contractors and their sureties as suggested in said opinion.

Petition from residents of vicinity of Cross River, transmitted by Frederick Howe, Town Clerk of North Salem, N. Y., under date of June 24, 1907, with regard to alleged nuisances at Cross River and the Muscoot Dam, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Resignation of William J. McEvoy, stenographer and typewriter, was received and accepted, to take effect as of June 23, 1907.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway New York City, on Tuesday, July 9, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,484 to 18,486, both inclusive, amounting to $145,180.38, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,487 to 18,493, both inclusive, amounting to $2,517.45. which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending July 4, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1,608 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to the salary of John S. Spietaler, Peter H. Bush and William Goldbacher, transitmen, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1,608, the salaries of the following named employes be and hereby are fixed at the amounts set opposite their respective names. to take effect July 16, 1907, viz.:

	Per annum.
John S. Spietaler, transitman	$1,650.00
Peter H. Bush, transitman	1,650.00
William Goldbacher, transitman	1,650.00

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,609 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to the salaries of Michael Cusick and John J. Murphy, laborers, was received and ordered filed, and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1.609, the salaries of Michael Cusick, laborer, and John J. Murphy, laborer,

be and hereby are fixed, respectively, at the rate of $3.00 per day, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,610 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to the salary of Peter A. Regan, rodman, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Report No. 1,610, the salary of Peter A. Regan, rodman, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $87.50 per month, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,611 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to the salary of Assistant Engineer George A. Vollmar, was received and ordered filed, and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1,611, the salary of George A. Vollmar, Assistant Engineer, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $1,950 per annum, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,612 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 3, 1907, in regard to the salaries of Stephen M. Lyons and Patrick A. Keane, rodmen, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1612, salaries of Stephen M. Lyons and Patrick A. Keane, rodmen, be and hereby are fixed respectively at the rate of $1,200 per annum, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,613 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 3, 1907, submitting final estimate of Greenberg & Bartlett for completion of contract for flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, was received and ordered filed, and the following preambles and resolution were offered:

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of this Commission has certified, under date of July 8, 1907, that, in his opinion, Greenberg & Barlett have completely performed and

carried out the provisions of their contract with this Commission for furnishing and erecting flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, dated January 15, 1907, and has stated from actual measurements the whole amount of work done and materials furnished under and according to the terms of said contract, and the true value thereof; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer has submitted Report No. 1,613, dated July 8, 1907, stating that no loss or inconvenience has been experienced by the City on account of any delay and no direct and computable damages caused to the City by the failure of the contractors to complete the work within the specified time can be shown, and recommending that the final estimate be paid in full; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners hereby accept the work done and materials furnished by Greenberg & Bartlett under the contract above referred to, and direct that a proper voucher for the final payment therefor be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1614 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 9, 1907, regarding theft of steel rings and brass caps from Gatehouse No. 7, Jerome Park Reservoir, and asking authority to replace the same, at an approximate cost of $175.00, and suggesting the appointment of two watchmen, was received and ordered filed, and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Application of Frederick B. Rogers, Division Engineer, dated July 9, 1907, to be restored to his former rank of Assistant Engineer, was received and ordered filed, and the President directed to make such application to the Municipal Civil Service Commission.

The Chief Engineer returned to the Commissioners request of Acting Commissioner of Bridges, dated June 18, 1907, for the transfer to his department of William J. Boylan, Inspector of Masonry, and stated that he had no objection thereto after August 1, 1907.

The President was thereupon authorized to consent to such transfer.

Communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated July 8, 1907, transmitting copy of Sixth partial report of said Commission covering Schedule "K," "Special" positions, which had been submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for adoption, was received and referred to the President.

Resolutions adopted by Board of Aldermen, dated June 25, 1907, with regard to

granting leave of absence to Spanish War Veterans to attend Encampment and the National Convention, was received and referred to the Secretary and Chief Engineer, to comply with so far as practicable.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, July 16, 1907, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, July 23, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated acting secretary.

The minutes of July 9, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,502 to 18,534, both inclusive, amounting to $3,099.31, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported that he had communicated with F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, with regard to his communication dated July 8, 1907, transmitting copy of sixth partial report of said commission covering Schedule K, Special Positions, which was referred to him July 9, 1907.

The action of the President was approved.

The President also reported the receipt of communication from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated July 11, 1907, transmitting certified copy of resolutions adopted by said Board July 8, 1907, approving of payment by the City to the American Telephone & Telegraph Company of $5,790.27 as compensation for expense and damage caused by the necessity of removing its pole lines from within the flow-line of the Cross River Reservoir, etc., etc.; and stated that, in accordance with resolutions adopted by this Commission March 26, 1907, he had requested the Corporation Counsel to prepare the necessary papers on behalf of the City to carry out the intention of said resolutions.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending July 11, 1907, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1615 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 22, 1907, with regard to progress in the matter of the acceptance of the highways in the New Croton Reservoir by the Supervisors of the various towns, was received and laid over awaiting further report.

Report No. 1616 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 12, 1907, being a summary of work done during the month of June, 1907, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1617 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 22, 1907, with regard to communication of Frederick Howe, dated June 24, 1907, and petition, as to danger from shallow flowage upon completion of the Cross River Reservoir, and the construction of a structure at the culvert over Beaver Brook at an appproximate cost of $250.00, was received and ordered filed, the President directed to reply to said communication and the Chief Engineer authorized to do the work as set forth in said report, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Assistant Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated July 17, 1907, authorizing transfer of Frederick B. Rogers from the position of Division Engineer, at a salary of $4,000 per annum, to the position of Assistant Engineer at the same grade of compensation, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Request of Commissioner of Bridges, dated July 12, 1907, for the transfer of Michael M. Reynolds, Inspector of Masonry, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Report No. 1602 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 22, 1907, on the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and laid over.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, July 30, 1907, the meeting adjourned.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, August 6, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of July 23, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in vouchers Nos. 18,537 and 18,538, amounting to $133,045.56, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction or Executive Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1616 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 12, 1907, being a summary of the work done during the month of June, 1907, with recommendation that the same be filed.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The President reported the receipt of communication from the Comptroller, dated July 27, 1907, with regard to claim of Daniel Houlihan for damage to property in the vicinity of the Jerome Park Reservoir, and stated that he had referred the same to the Chief Engineer for report.

The action of the President was approved.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending July 18 and 25, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1619 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 5, 1907, requesting authority to lengthen the gatestems in the gatehouse at the Cross River Dam about six inches, at an approximate cost of $100, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1620 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 5, 1907, requesting authority to erect a railing around the opening to the stairway at Gatehouse 5, Jerome Park Reservoir, at an estimated cost of $250, was received and ordered filed and the authority granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1621 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 5, 1907, requesting authority to erect a wooden fence and gate over the roadway of the division wall, including the northerly end of Gatehouse 7, at Jerome Park Reservoir, at an approximate cost of $275, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan; Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1622 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, with regard to salaries of Timothy Bowen, Elias W. Purdy and Charles G. Kehoe, Rodmen, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1622, the salaries of the following-named employees be and hereby are fixed at the amounts set opposite their respective names, to take effect August 16, 1907, viz.:

	Per Annum
Timothy Bowen, Rodman	$1,200 00
Elias W. Purdy, Rodman	1,200 00
Charles G. Kehoe, Rodman	1,200 00

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1623 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, with regard to the salary of Lillie R. Greenberg, stenographer and typewriter, was received and laid over.

Report No. 1624 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, with regard to salary of John Fagan, Transitman, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1624, the salary of John Fagan, Transitman, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $1,650 per annum, to take effect August 16, 1907.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1625 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, with regard to salaries of certain laborers and drivers, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Report No. 1625, the salaries of the following-named employees be and hereby are fixed at the amounts set opposite their respective names, to take effect August 13, 1907, viz.:

	Per Day.
William E. Bettels, Laborer	$3 50
Peter Denning, Laborer	3 00
James Fitzgerald, Laborer	3 00
James Lowery, Laborer	3 50
Robert J. Enright, Driver	2 50

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1626 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, with regard to salary of Charles M. Clark, Assistant Engineer, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1626, the salary of Charles M. Clark, Assistant Engineer, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $2,400 per annum, to take effect August 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1627 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, with regard to communication of Comptroller, dated July 27, 1907, with regard to claim of Daniel Houlihan for damage to property in the vicinity of the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply in accordance with said report.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated July 26, 1907, requesting information relative to claim of Elizabeth M. Flanagan as administratrix of William J. Flanagan, deceased, for $25,772.92, with interest, alleged to be due under contract for the construction of highways, bridge piers, etc., etc., was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communications from the Comptroller, dated July 20, 22 and 26, 1907, stating that certain amounts have been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated August 3, 1907, transmitting copy of notice from the Assessors of the Town of North Salem in the matter of the assessment on property of the City in said town, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer to obtain a list of the assessments on property under the control of this Commission, at the earliest possible date.

Communication from Commissioner of Bridges dated July 23, 1907, regarding

be and hereby are fixed, respectively, at the rate of $3.00 per day, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,610 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to the salary of Peter A. Regan, rodman, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Report No. 1,610, the salary of Peter A. Regan, rodman, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $87.50 per month. to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,611 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 2, 1907, in regard to the salary of Assistant Engineer George A. Vollmar, was received and ordered filed, and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1,611, the salary of George A. Vollmar, Assistant Engineer, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $1,950 per annum, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,612 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 3, 1907, in regard to the salaries of Stephen M. Lyons and Patrick A. Keane, rodmen, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1612, salaries of Stephen M. Lyons and Patrick A. Keane, rodmen, be and hereby are fixed respectively at the rate of $1,200 per annum, to take effect July 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,613 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 3, 1907, submitting final estimate of Greenberg & Bartlett for completion of contract for flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, was received and ordered filed, and the following preambles and resolution were offered:

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of this Commission has certified, under date of July 8, 1907, that, in his opinion, Greenberg & Barlett have completely performed and

carried out the provisions of their contract with this Commission for furnishing and erecting flashboard equipment on the spillway of the New Croton Dam, dated January 15, 1907, and has stated from actual measurements the whole amount of work done and materials furnished under and according to the terms of said contract, and the true value thereof; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer has submitted Report No. 1,613, dated July 8, 1907, stating that no loss or inconvenience has been experienced by the City on account of any delay and no direct and computable damages caused to the City by the failure of the contractors to complete the work within the specified time can be shown, and recommending that the final estimate be paid in full; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners hereby accept the work done and materials furnished by Greenberg & Bartlett under the contract above referred to, and direct that a proper voucher for the final payment therefor be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1614 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 9, 1907, regarding theft of steel rings and brass caps from Gatehouse No. 7, Jerome Park Reservoir, and asking authority to replace the same, at an approximate cost of $175.00, and suggesting the appointment of two watchmen, was received and ordered filed, and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Application of Frederick B. Rogers, Division Engineer, dated July 9, 1907, to be restored to his former rank of Assistant Engineer, was received and ordered filed, and the President directed to make such application to the Municipal Civil Service Commission.

The Chief Engineer returned to the Commissioners request of Acting Commissioner of Bridges, dated June 18, 1907, for the transfer to his department of William J. Boylan, Inspector of Masonry, and stated that he had no objection thereto after August 1, 1907.

The President was thereupon authorized to consent to such transfer.

Communication from F. A. Spencer, Secretary, Commission on Salaries and Grades, dated July 8, 1907, transmitting copy of Sixth partial report of said Commission covering Schedule "K," "Special" positions, which had been submitted to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for adoption, was received and referred to the President.

Resolutions adopted by Board of Aldermen, dated June 25, 1907, with regard to

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On August 13, 20 and 27, 1907, the meetings were adjourned.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commission, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, September 3, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph.

The minutes of August 6, 1907, were read and approved.

Circular letter from the Secretary to the Mayor, dated August 22, 1907, with regard to limiting expenditures of departments until such time as City's finances return to a normal condition, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communications from the Comptroller, dated August 17, 21, 28 and 29, 1907, stating that various sums had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Circular letter from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated August 21, 1907, with regard to filing applications for promotion examinations and transmission of efficiency records, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from H. T. Dykman, dated August 6, 1907, submitting names of Commissioners appointed in the Croton Falls proceedings, second supplemental and the highways, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated August 19, 1907, requesting additional information with regard to easement required in the Juengst property, Croton Falls Proceeding, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Charles M. Lane, Sheriff, Westchester County, dated August 7, 1907, with regard to policing Croton Falls in vicinity of work of this Commission, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from Acting Secretary, Commissioner of Health, dated August 9, 1907, acknowledging receipt of letter with regard to reporting cases of typhoid, etc., occurring among the men employed in the vicinity of Katonah, N. Y., was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Kellog & Rose, attorneys for the estate of William J. Flanagan, deceased, dated August 22, 1907, requesting copies of documents, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from Frederick Howe, Town Clerk of Lewisboro, with regard to danger from shallow flowage upon completion of Cross River Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from E. B. Kear, dated August 19, 1907, with regard to salaries of certain laborers, and also relative to tax bill, School District No. 12, towns of Yorktown and Cortlandt, amounting to $45.35, was received and referred to the President.

The Chief Engineer returned to the Commissioners request of Commissioner of Bridges, dated July 12, 1907, for the transfer to his department of Michael M. Reynolds, Inspector of Masonry in this Commission, and the President was authorized to consent thereto.

Report No. 1628½ of the Chief Engineer, dated September 3, 1907, stating that it was necessary for the completion of the roadway across the top of the Cross River Dam, to provide for the oiling of the surface and the laying of tar paper in connection therewith, and recommending that the Engineer be authorized to do the work at an approximate cost of $800, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, September 10, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of September 3, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,555 and 18,556, amounting to $166,287.84, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,557 to 18,570, both inclusive, amounting to $3,623.66, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported that the Chief Engineer had reported to him, under date of September 10, 1907, that he had examined the form of agreement submitted by the Corporation Counsel on August 6, 1907, for the removal of the wire lines of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company from within the flowline of the Cross River Reservoir, and found that the locations and descriptions in the same were correct, and further stated that the agreement had been forwarded to the Telephone Company on August 8, 1907, and had now been returned executed.

The action of the President was thereupon approved and the Commissioners proceeded to execute said agreement, in triplicate.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending August 1, 8 and 15, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1629 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 10, 1907, with regard to "Notice of completion of assessment roll, Town of North Salem," stating that he had consulted with Mr. Beaudrias of the Law Department relative thereto, and understood that the rights of the City would be safeguarded by that department, was received and ordered filed.

Report No. 1630 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 10, 1907, recommending that the salaries of certain Inspectors of Masonry be fixed at $5.00 per day, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Re-

port No. 1630, the salaries of the following named Inspectors of Masonry be and hereby are fixed at the rate of $5.00 per day each, to take effect on this date, viz.:

John M. Caterson, Frederick S. Tebbutt, William H. Fry, Thomas J. Gleason.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1631 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 10, 1907, recommending that the salary of Thomas Keenan, Groundman, be fixed at $3.50 per day, was received and ordered to lie over.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated August 31, 1907, and two communications dated September 6, 1907, of the deposit of moneys to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Application of Frank B. McLean, Transitman, accompanied by affidavit of surgeon, dated September 3, 1907, for leave of absence for one month, on account of illness, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, September 17, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of September 10, 1907, were read and approved.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending August 22 and 29 and September 5, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1632 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 16, 1907, recommending that the salary of Alfred S. Burgess, Assistant Engineer, be fixed at $2,500 per annum, was received and ordered to lie over.

Report No. 1633 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 16, 1907, recommending that Frank B. McLean, Transitman, be granted a leave of absence, without pay, from September 1 to September 23, 1907, on account of illness, was received and ordered filed and the leave of absence granted in accordance with said report.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated September 11, 1907, authorizing transfer of Michael M. Reynolds, Inspector of Masonry in this Commission, to the Department of Bridges, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from Acting Commissioner of Bridges, dated September 12, 1907, stating that Michael M. Reynolds, Inspector of Masonry, had been transferred to said department, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Resignation of F. B. Rogers, Assistant Engineer, was received and accepted, to take effect September 16, 1907.

Resignation of Alfred W. Arenander, Assistant Engineer, was received and accepted, to take effect September 30, 1907.

On motion, the President was authorized to request the transfer of Jacob G. Rubenstein, at present employed as Computer, Topographical Bureau, Borough of Queens, to a similar position in this Commission.

Communication from McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors for the Jerome Park Reservoir, dated September 17, 1907, requesting payment to them of the sum of $266,000 of the retained percentages under the contract for the construction of said reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, September 24, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Minutes of September 17, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18576 to 18591, inclusive, amounting to $1,446.13, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken in fee by The City of New York for the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, etc., due School District No. 2, Town of Somers, N. Y., amounting to $9.45, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, pursuant to opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated September 7, 1905, and communication to the Comptroller dated June 12, 1906.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of communication from the Chief Engineer, dated September 19, 1907, with regard to communication of the Comptroller, dated July 26, 1907, requesting information relative to claim filed in the Department of Finance by Elizabeth M. Flanagan as administratrix of William J. Flanagan, deceased, for the sum of $25,772.92, with interest, alleged to be due under contract for the construction of highways, roads and their appurtenances, etc., in Westchester County; and stated that on September 23, 1907, he had forwarded to the Comptroller a copy of the communication of the Chief Engineer.

The action of the President was approved and the communications ordered filed.

Report No. 1634 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 23, 1907, with regard to application of McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors, dated September 17, 1907, for the

release of certain retained percentages upon their contract for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and the President directed to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to the power of the Commissioners to grant such application.

Communication from Frederick Howe, Town Clerk of the Town of Lewisboro, N. Y., dated September 20, 1907, with regard to shallow flowage upon completion of Cross River Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Resignation of Daniel D. Sheehan, Inspector of Masonry, to take effect as of September 9, 1907, was received and accepted as of said date.

Report No. 1632 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 16, 1907, recommending that the salary of Alfred S. Burgess, Assistant Engineer, be fixed at $2,500 per annum, which was ordered to lie over at the previous meeting, was ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1632, the salary of Alfred S. Burgess be and hereby is affixed at the rate of $2,500 per annum, to take effect October 1, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 1, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of September 24, 1907, were read and approved.

Report No. 1635 of the Chief Engineer, dated September 30, 1907, with regard to letter of Frederick Howe, Town Clerk of Lewisboro, dated September 20, 1907, relative to shallow flowage in the vicinity of the Cross River Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to transmit a copy of said report to Mr. Howe in reply to his communication.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated September 25, 1907, authorizing the transfer of John C. Kennerk, Inspector of Masonry in the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, to a similar position in this Commission was received and ordered filed.

Report No. 1636 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 1, 1907, recommending the appointment of John C. Kennerk as Inspector of Masonry, was received and ordered filed, and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1636, John C. Kennerk be and hereby is appointed Inspector of Masonry in this Commission at a salary of $5.00 per day, to take effect when assigned to duty by the Chief Engineer, the Municipal Civil Service Commission having authorized his transfer from the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity under date of September 25, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1602 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 25, 1907, on the Jerome Park Reservoir, which was laid over July 23, 1907, was taken from the calendar and ordered filed, and the Chief Engineer directed to have the same printed.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated September 25, 1907, requesting information relative to title to Parcels Nos. 10½ and 15½, eighth Cornell proceeding, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias. dated September 25, 1907, with regard to claim of the Croton Magnetic Iron Mine for damages alleged to be due on account of taking away the means of access from said mine to the railroad, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Assistant Secretary, Municipal Art Society of New York, with regard to exhibit for the seventh annual exhibition of said Society, to be held in March, 1908, was received and referred to the President and Chief Engineer.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 8, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated acting Secretary.

The minutes of October 1, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18596 and 18597, amounting to $87,482.38, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18600 to 18610, inclusive, amounting to $1,465.71, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of the New Croton Reservoir, etc., are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 4, Town of Somers, N. Y.	$80 06
School District No. 8, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	80 10
School District No. 8, Towns of North Salem and Lewisboro, N. Y.	103 08

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following preamble and resolution were offered:

Whereas, In the opinion of the Aqueduct Commissioners, the further sum of five hundred thousand dollars will be required to defray the necessary and lawful expenditures of said Commissioners; therefore

Resolved, That the Comptroller of The City of New York be and hereby is requested to raise the sum of five hundred thousand dollars upon bonds of The City of New York, in conformity with the requirements of section 32, chapter 490, Laws

of 1883, of the State of New York, for the uses and purposes of the Aqueduct Commissioners, as set forth in said chapter and section of said law.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1637 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 7, 1907, requesting authority to have 500 copies of a table of data and computation in regard to the flow of the Croton River, the rainfall, storage and available yield of the Croton water shed, which is to be embodied in the report of the Aqueduct Commissioners for the years 1895-1907, printed in a small edition, in addition to being printed in the full report, at an approximate cost of $100, was received and ordered filed, and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1638 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 7, 1907, requesting authority to remodel a barn for use on the Croton Falls Reservoir Division, at an approximate cost of $200, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Circular letter from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated October 2, 1907, stating that a resolution was adopted by the State and Municipal Civil Service Commissions, and approved by the Mayor, grading the positions in Part II. of the Competitive Class (the clerical service), and relative to promotion from grade to grade, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Printed notice from the Assessors of the Town of Carmel, N. Y., that the assessment roll for 1907 has been finally completed and is on file for inspection, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Application of John H. Slingerland, dated October 3, 1907, for a change of title from Superintendent of Dam Construction to Inspector of Masonry, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to request the Municipal Civil Service Commission to grant such application.

Three demands of Achille J. Oishei, attorney for Carline Paonessa, dated October 3, 1907, for permission to examine certain maps, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from the Secretary, Charter Revision Commission, dated October 5, 1907, inviting the submission of views upon the present charter, its defects and operation, and suggestions of changes therein, was received and referred to the President.

Report No. 1639 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 8, 1907, submitting manuscript form of contract, specifications and bond for the erection of a fence around the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed

to transmit said forms of contract, etc., to the Corporation Counsel for his approval.

Report No. 1640 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 8, 1907, recommending that the New Croton Dam Division be placed under the charge of Frederick S. Cook, Division Engineer, Croton Falls Division, was received and approved.

Report No. 1623 of the Chief Engineer, dated August 6, 1907, recommending that the salary of Lillie R. Greenberg, Stenographer and Typewriter, Jerome Park Reservoir Division, be fixed at $1,350 per annum, which was ordered to lie over August 6, 1907, was ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1623, the salary of Lillie R. Greenberg, Stenographer and Typewriter, be and hereby is fixed at $1,350 per annum, to take effect October 16, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Opinion from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated October 7, 1907, in reply to communication of August 27, 1907, relative to what other or further steps should be taken by the Commissioners with regard to the suspension of work under the contract for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir, and in reply to communication of September 26, 1907, as to whether or not the Commissioners had the right to grant the application of Messrs. McDonald & Onderdonk for the release to them of certain retained percentages under their contract for the construction of said reservoir, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to prepare forms of resolutions, for presentation at the next meeting, providing for the payment to said contractors of the sum of $263,840.49 of said retained percentages, provided the sureties consent, as recommended in Report No. 1634 of the Chief Engineer; and the President was directed to request the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to whether or not any further action should be taken by the Commissioners, and if so, what action, to conserve the rights of the City under the contract.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, October 15, 1907, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 22, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated Acting Secretary.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18619 to 18634, inclusive, amounting to $2,806.91, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 6, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	$10 32
School District No. 7, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	11 56
School District No. 1, Town of Somers, N. Y.	285 90
School District No. 9, Town of Somers, N. Y.	379 16
School District No. 6, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	65 50

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Chief Engineer submitted progress reports for the weeks ending September 12, 19 and 26, and October 3, 10 and 17, 1907, which were referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1640 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 21, 1907, recommending

the appointment of John J. Keating, Jr., as Rodman, at a salary of $1,050 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1640, John J. Keating, Jr., be and hereby is appointed Rodman, at a salary of $1,050 per annum, to take effect when assigned to duty by the Chief Engineer, he having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission under date of October 10, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated October 15, 1907, transmitting certified copy of resolutions authorizing issue of $500,000 corporate stock for uses and purposes of the Aqueduct Commission, was received, ordered entered in the records and filed.

Five communications from the Comptroller (four dated October 9 and one dated October 11, 1907), of the deposit of moneys to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered in the records and filed.

Communication from Board of Water Supply, dated October 9, 1907, requesting statement of facts in connection with the disposition of cemeteries in the Croton watershed, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Request of the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated October 9, 1907, for the transfer of Howard C. Kelly, Stenographer and Typewriter in this Commission, to a similar position in said department, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Request of Commissioner of Bridges, dated October 15, 1907, for the transfer of Thomas P. Murphy, Inspector of Masonry in this Commission, to a similar position in said department, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated October 16, 1907, authorizing transfer of John H. Slingerland from the position of Superintendent of Dam Construction to that of Inspector of Masonry, was received and ordered filed and such transfer ordered.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated October 15, 1907, with regard to the award for Parcel No. 15½ Cross River Reservoir, First Division, and the removal of bodies and monuments therefrom to other cemeteries, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from George Juengst & Sons, dated October 8, 1907, requesting permission to place electric light line on new highway being constructed between Croton Falls and Brewster, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from Frederick Howe, Town Clerk of Lewisboro, N. Y., dated

October 14, 1907, with regard to shallow flowage at Cross River, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated October 22, 1907, requesting original tracing showing various parcels of city property south and west of New Croton Dam, and map of Parcel 6¼, for use in court at White Plains, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer to furnish the maps requested.

Pursuant to direction at previous meeting the Acting Secretary presented the following form of preambles and resolution:

Whereas, Application has been made by McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors, under date of September 17, 1907, for the payment to them of the sum of $266,000 from the retained percentages, under their contract for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer having submitted Report No. 1634, dated September 23, 1907, stating that the total amount of work done under said contract as shown by the monthly estimates is $5,726,653.73, of which ten per cent., or $572,665.27 has been retained under the provisions of the contract, and recommending that, with the consent of the sureties, the sum of $263,840.49 be released from said retained percentages and paid to said contractors, thereby leaving $108,824.88 still retained by the City, in addition to the bond of $400,000 for the faithful performance of the contract; and

Whereas, It appears of record that the sum of $200,000 has been heretofore paid to said contractors from said retained percentages, leaving a balance thereof at the present time amounting to $372,665.37; and

Whereas, The Corporation Counsel having advised the Aqueduct Commissioners on October 7, 1907, that it seemed to him that said proposed payment should be made, and said Commissioners being of the opinion that it will not be detrimental to the interests of the City to make such payment and that the City will be amply protected by the retention of the remaining $108,824.88 of said percentages, in addition to the bond of $400,000; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners cause a proper voucher to be prepared and forwarded to the Comptroller authorizing the payment by him to McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir, of the sum of $263,840.49 from the retained percentages under said contract, provided said contractors shall consent that said payment be considered as being made under said contract, and provided that the sureties of said contractors consent to such payment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 29, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of October 22, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the accompanying voucher in favor of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company for the sum of $5,790.27, as compensation for all expenses and damages arising from the taking, using and occupying of its rights of way and for the re-location of its lines within the flow line of the Cross River Reservoir, pursuant to agreement entered into with said company under date of August 16, 1907, be and it hereby is approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative--Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Chief Engineer submitted progress report for the week ending October 24, 1907, which was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1641 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 29, 1907, recommending the appointment of Everett B. Hedden, Transitman, at a salary of $1,650 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1641, Everett B. Hedden be and hereby is appointed Transitman, at a salary of $1,650 per annum, to take effect when assigned to duty, he having been certified as eligible for transfer from the Department of Finance by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on October 23, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1642 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 29, 1907, recommending the appointment of Jacob G. Rubenstein, Computer, at a salary of $1,800 per annum, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1642, Jacob G. Rubenstein be and hereby is appointed Computer, at a salary of $1,800 per annum, to take effect when assigned to duty, he having been certified as eligible for transfer from the office of the Borough President of Queens by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on October 23, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1643 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 29, 1907, with regard to communication of George Juengst & Sons, dated October 8, 1907, with regard to permission to re-locate certain electric light poles on the property of the city in the vicinity of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and returned to the Chief Engineer for additional information.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated October 22, 1907, transmitting certain papers with regard to claims of John Fox & Company, amounting respectively to $30,789.40 and $2,508.56, and requesting any further information thereon, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report at the next meeting.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated October 24, 1907, requesting information in regard to the cost and time of completion of the Cross River Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Request from Deputy Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated October 23, 1907, for the transfer of Francis H. Byrne, employed as Transitman in this Commission, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Communication from John B. McDonald, dated October 29, 1907, submitting consents of sureties on contract for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir to the payment to contractors for said reservoir of $266,000 from the retained percentages under said contract, was received and the President directed to transmit the same to the Corporation Counsel for approval as to form.

The Commissioners then adjourned until Friday, November 1, 1907, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Friday, November 1, 1907, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph,

The Chairman of the Committee of Finance and Audit stated that the sureties on the contract for the Jerome Park Reservoir having consented to the payment to John B. McDonald of the sum of $256,000 from the retained percentages under said contract, as provided in resolutions adopted by the Commissioners October 22, 1907, and the Corporation Counsel having approved said consents as to form, said Committee reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18,638, amounting to $263,840.49, and recommended that the same be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The recommendation was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1644 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 31, 1907, requesting that an eligible list be procured from which to appoint one stenographer and typewriter for assignment at the Croton Falls Reservoir Division, was received and ordered to lie over.

Report No. 1645 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 31, 1907, with regard to communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated October 22, 1907, in reference to claims of John Fox & Company for the sums of $30,789.40 and $2,508.56, under contracts dated November 2, 1903, for furnishing, and placing stop-cock valves, special castings, etc., at Jerome Park Reservoir, and for furnishing and placing machinery, ladders, etc., at Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to said communication in accordance with the report of the Chief Engineer.

Circular letter from the Mayor, dated October 29, 1907, instructing that no new contracts for work be advertised until such time as in his judgment the finances of the city warranted it, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated October 30, 1907, approving transfer of Howard C. Kelly, stenographer and type-

writer, from this Commission to the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated October 30, 1907, approving transfer of Thomas P. Murphy, Inspector of Masonry, from this Commission to the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated October 31, 1907, requesting information with regard to claim of Juengst, Croton Falls proceeding, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for immediate report.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated October 31, 1907, returning, approved as to form, consents of sureties on contract for Jerome Park Reservoir to the payment by City to John B. McDonald of the sum of $266,000 from retained percentages under said contract, was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, November 12, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of October 29th and November 1st, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,643 and 18,644, amounting to $80,169.33, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,645 to 18,678, inclusive, amounting to $7,040.26, and recommended their payment.

The Committee also recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the accompanying bills for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 6, Town of North Salem, N. Y.	$115.25
School District No. 9, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	68.62
School District No. 5, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	11.03
School District No. 7, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	35.63
School District No. 3, Town of Cortlandt, N. Y.	445.10
School District No. 6, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	43.45
School District No. 8, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	98.59
School District No. 10, Towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, N. Y.	2,443.68

The recommendation of the Committee was approved and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported that on November 11, 1907, he had replied to communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated October 22, 1907, with regard to the claims of John Fox & Company for the sums of $30,789.40 and $2,508.56 for work under contracts dated November 2, 1903, in accordance with Report No. 1645 of the Chief Engineer thereon, and that he had also transmitted with his communication copy of additional Report No. 1646 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 8, 1907, on the same subject.

The action of the President was approved and the report (No. 1646) ordered filed.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending October 31st and November 7th, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1647 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 8, 1907, with regard to communication of I. J. Beaudrias, dated October 31, 1907, relating to the Juengst claim at Croton Falls and the diversion of the flood waters of the East Branch of the Croton River in connection therewith, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1648 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 11, 1907, with regard to communication of Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated October 24, 1907, relating to the increase in cost and the additional length of time required for the completion of the Cross River Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply in accordance with said report.

The Chief Engineer presented the following report, which was ordered spread in full on the minutes and filed:

NEW YORK, November 12th, 1907.

REPORT NO. 1650.

To the Aqueduct Commissioners:

Gentlemen—On Wednesday, November 6, 1907, water first began to flow over the spillway at elevation 200 at the New Croton Dam. The water continued to rise and the first course of flashboards was put in place, bringing the water to elevation 201. Since this time the water has continued to accumulate behind the dam, the greatest elevation being 201.98. This flood is now gradually subsiding. I estimate that the amount of water which has flowed to waste during this period is approximately ten billion gallons, or enough to fill Cross River Reservoir. At the present writing the water is still flowing over the spillway.

The situation thus briefly described shows the culmination of many years of thought and labor and the confirmation of the plans long since adopted by the Aque-

duct Commissioners, and furnishes the best demonstration of the accuracy of their investigations and the wisdom of their plans. At the present time more than 75 billion gallons of water are stored behind the various reservoirs on the Croton watershed. The fact that water is now flowing to waste after all the storage reservoirs now completed are filled proves conclusively the wisdom of the construction of the two new reservoirs at Cross River and Croton Falls. On the completion of the Cross River Reservoir an additional amount of ten billion gallons will be added to the storage.

I present herewith several photographs showing the situation at the dam on Friday, November 8th.

Respectfully,
WALTER H. SEARS, Chief Engineer.

Communication from Executive Secretary to the Mayor, dated October 31, 1907, requesting certain information with regard to the Aqueduct Commission, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish the same.

Communication from Executive Secretary to the Mayor, dated November 7, 1907, requesting additional information with regard to the Aqueduct Commission, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish the same.

Communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated November 8, 1907, requesting the transfer to said Board of certain engineering implements which were used in the tunnel alignment and which are stored at the new Croton Dam, was received, together with Report No. 1649 of the Chief Engineer thereon, dated November 12, 1907, recommending that said request be granted.

Whereupon, the communication and report were ordered filed and the President authorized to notify said Board that the Commissioners will have no objection to such transfer, pursuant to circular letters of the Mayor, and the Comptroller, dated, respectively, May 15, 1902, and March 27, 1906, relating to similar cases.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated November 6, 1907, authorizing the transfer of Frank H. Warder from the position of stenographer and typewriter to that of Clerk, was received and ordered filed and such transfer ordered.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, November 19, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of November 12, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,684 to 18,703, inclusive, amounting to $1,088.37, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending November 14, 1907, was referred to the construction Committee.

Report No. 1643 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 29, 1907, with regard to communication of George Juengst & Sons, dated October 8, 1907, relative to permission to re-locate certain electric light poles on road between Croton Falls and Brewster, was received and referred back to the Chief Engineer to confer with the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity and report.

Report No. 1651 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 18, 1907, relating to communication of I. J. Beaudrias, dated September 25, 1907, with regard to means of access from Croton Magnetic Iron Mines to the railroad, was received and ordered filed.

Report No. 1652 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 18, 1907, with regard to communication of I. J. Beaudrias, dated October 15, 1907, relative to disposition of bodies on Parcel No. 15½, Cross River Reservoir, and requesting authority to have the bodies removed at the uniform price of $15.00 per body and $3.00 per grave stone, the amount to be paid to the relative or next of kin, and in the case of unknown bodies, the price of $8.00 per body, to be paid to the person removing the same, was received

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1342, Jacob G. Rubenstein be and hereby is appointed Computer, at a salary of $1,800 per annum, to take effect when assigned to duty, he having been certified as eligible for transfer from the office of the Borough President of Queens by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on October 23, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1643 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 29, 1907, with regard to communication of George Juengst & Sons, dated October 8, 1907, with regard to permission to re-locate certain electric light poles on the property of the city in the vicinity of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and returned to the Chief Engineer for additional information.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated October 22, 1907, transmitting certain papers with regard to claims of John Fox & Company, amounting respectively to $30,789.40 and $2,508.56, and requesting any further information thereon, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report at the next meeting.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated October 24, 1907, requesting information in regard to the cost and time of completion of the Cross River Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Request from Deputy Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated October 23, 1907, for the transfer of Francis H. Byrne, employed as Transitman in this Commission, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Communication from John B. McDonald, dated October 29, 1907, submitting consents of sureties on contract for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir to the payment to contractors for said reservoir of $266,000 from the retained percentages under said contract, was received and the President directed to transmit the same to the Corporation Counsel for approval as to form.

The Commissioners then adjourned until Friday, November 1, 1907, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Friday, November 1, 1907, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph,

The Chairman of the Committee of Finance and Audit stated that the sureties on the contract for the Jerome Park Reservoir having consented to the payment to John B. McDonald of the sum of $256,000 from the retained percentages under said contract, as provided in resolutions adopted by the Commissioners October 22, 1907, and the Corporation Counsel having approved said consents as to form, said Committee reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18,638, amounting to $263,840.49, and recommended that the same be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

The recommendation was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1644 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 31, 1907, requesting that an eligible list be procured from which to appoint one stenographer and typewriter for assignment at the Croton Falls Reservoir Division, was received and ordered to lie over.

Report No. 1645 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 31, 1907, with regard to communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated October 22, 1907, in reference to claims of John Fox & Company for the sums of $30,789.40 and $2,508.56, under contracts dated November 2, 1903, for furnishing, and placing stop-cock valves, special castings, etc., at Jerome Park Reservoir, and for furnishing and placing machinery, ladders, etc., at Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to said communication in accordance with the report of the Chief Engineer.

Circular letter from the Mayor, dated October 29, 1907, instructing that no new contracts for work be advertised until such time as in his judgment the finances of the city warranted it, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated October 30, 1907, approving transfer of Howard C. Kelly, stenographer and type-

Report No. 1655 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 25, 1907, with regard to the work on the New Croton Dam Division and the assignment of certain laborers, etc., was received, approved and ordered filed.

Report No. 1656 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 26, 1907, with regard to communication of I. J. Beaudrias, dated November 14, 1907, relative to the diversion of water from the East Branch of the Croton River in connection with the Juengst claim, and submitting map of property affected, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to said communication in accordance with the report.

Circular letter from the Mayor, dated November 23, 1907, instructing that no bids be opened or contracts awarded, except with his authority, until such time as the finances of the City shall warrant it, was received and ordered filed.

Two communications from the Comptrolier, dated November 20th and 25th, 1907, of the deposit of certain sums of money to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated November 20, 1907, with regard to claim of Coldwell-Wilcox Company under contract for furnishing sluice gates, etc., and stating that the same could properly be presented by the contractor to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment under Chapter 601 of the Laws of 1907, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from H. R. Barrett, dated November 20, 1907, giving chapter of law under which he submits claim of John Hunt, former owner of Parcel No. 67, Cross River Proceeding, for damages alleged to have been caused by the taking away of the village of Cross River, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to obtain the advice of the Corporation Counsel in reference thereto.

Application of Mortimer A. Hyatt, dated November 25, 1907, for a right of way in connection with Parcel No. 153, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Report No. 1644 of the Chief Engineer, dated October 31, 1907, requesting that an eligible list from which to appoint one stenographer and typewriter, salary $1.050 per annum, for assignment at Croton Falls, N. Y., be procured (which was ordered to lie over November 1st, 1907), was taken from the calendar and ordered filed and the President directed to obtain such list.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, December 3, 1907, the Commissioners adjourned to meet on Thursday, December 5, 1907, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Thursday, December 5, 1907, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,710 to 18,722, inclusive, amounting to $1,153.71, and recommended their payment.

The Committee also recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 6, Towns of Lewisboro and Pounidridge, N. Y...$116.97
School District No. 9, Town of Bedford, N. Y..... 26.34

The recommendation of the Committee was approved and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1,657 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 27, 1907, referring to circular letter from Secretary to the Mayor, dated November 18, 1907, for a synopsis of the work of the Commissioners during the year 1907, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply thereto in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1,658 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 2, 1907, transmitting communications from Supervisors and Highway Commissioners of the towns of Cortlandt, Bedford, New Castle, North Salem, Lewisboro, Somers and Yorktown, acccpting the highways in the respective towns; also communications from N. P. Bushnell, counsel to the Board of Highway Commissioners, Town of Cortlandt, with regard to Road No. 1, etc., was ordered filed, together with Reports Nos. 1,615 and 1,628 on the same subject; and the President was directed to request Mr. Bushnell to attend before the Commissioners at their next stated meeting in reference to said Road No. 1, etc.

Report No. 1,659 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 2, 1907, requesting authority to repair 20-inch tile drain leading from the easterly basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir, at an approximate cost of $150.00, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated December 3rd, stating that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment had authorized the issue of corporate stock to the amount of $2,508.56 and $30,789.40, Additional Water Fund (claims John Fox & Company), were received and ordered filed and the attention of the Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from Julius Kollman, dated November 2, 1907, inquiring if his property is to be condemned and requesting permission to build bridge over Davis Brook, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated November 30, 1907, requesting to be furnished with a certificate of extension of time for the completion of the Cross River reservoir contract, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Application of Commissioner of Public Works Tribus, Borough of Richmond, dated November 25, 1907, for copy of Commissioners' report, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Application of Lidgerwood Manufacturing Company, dated November 30, 1907, for copies of reports of 1905 and 1906, was received and referred to the President for reply.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 10, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

N. P. Bushnell, Esq., counsel to the Board of Highway Commissioners for the Town of Cortlandt, N. Y., appeared before the Commissioners in relation to the acceptance by said town of the new highways built by the City, and as to the guardrails on Road No. 1.

Whereupon, after discussion, Mr. Bushnell stated that he would submit a communication setting forth the position of said Town of Cortlandt relative to the acceptance of the highways and as to the guardrails, for consideration by the Commissioners at their next stated meeting.

The minutes of December 5, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in vouchers Nos. 18,715 and 18,716, amounting to $95,536.91, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,717 to 18,722, inclusive, amounting to $236.42, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending November 21st and 28th, 1907, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1,660 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 4, 1907, with regard to communication of I. J. Beaudrias, dated September 25, 1907, relative to the title of Parcels Nos. 10½ and 15½, Cornell Dam and Reservoir proceedings, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to said letter in accordance with said report

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated December 9, 1907, of the deposit of certain moneys to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated December 6, 1907, transmitting certified copy of resolution adopted by said Board directing that no new or additional indebtedness payable from the funds provided by the issue of corporate stock heretofore authorized be incurred without the approval of said Board, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated December 6, 1907, submitting eligible list of stenographer and typewriter for appointment at Croton Falls, N. Y., was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated December 4, 1907, with regard to the removal of the bodies from Parcel 15½, Cross River, First Division, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from A. S. Child, dated December 7, 1907, with regard to claim alleged to be due for salary, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Report No. 1,661 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 10, 1907, recommending that the name of Miles Hardman, Laborer, be dropped from the pay-roll in accordance with the civil service rules, on account of absence without leave, was received and ordered filed and the name of said Miles Hardman, Laborer, ordered dropped from the payroll.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 17, 1907, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Chief Engineer Sears.

Also Messrs. Frank S. Reynolds, Supervisor, and Uel T. Bailey, Highway Commissioner, respectively, of the Town of North Salem, N. Y.

Also, A. J. Miller, Esq., attorney for Messrs. Juengst & Sons, and Messrs. George Juengst, Jr., and Charles Juengst.

Messrs. Reynolds and Bailey, representing the Town of North Salem, addressed the Commissioners with regard to the acceptance by said town of Road No. 35, contending that the road should be increased in width, and that because of an order of the Supreme Court, dated February 5, 1906 (a copy of which they filed with the Commissioners), they could not accept said road as constructed.

Whereupon, after discussion, the matter was referred to the President.

A. J. Miller, attorney for Messrs. Juengst, addressed the Commissioners with regard to claim filed on their behalf with the Commissioners of Appraisal in connection with the diversion of the flood waters of the East Branch of the Croton River, and requested that the minimum amount of water to be allowed to flow daily passed the Juengst property at Croton Falls be forty milliom gallons. (Reference was made to Report No. 1,647 of the Chief Engineer, dated November 8, 1907, on the same subject.)

The Commissioners then took the matter under advisement, and decided that when they adjourned to adjourn until Friday, December 20, 1907, at 1 P. M., and to request I. J. Beaudrias, Esq., special counsel, to be present for consultation in reference to said matter.

The minutes of December 10, 1907, were read and approved.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending December 5, 1907, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1,662 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 16, 1907, recommending payment of bill of Mrs. S. A. Davis, for use of stable at Ossining, N. Y., amounting to $32.00, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher therefor, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1663 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 16, 1907, with regard to Shaft No. 25, was received and ordered filed.

Circular letter from the Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated December 13, 1907, with regard to increase in salaries in positions and grades covered by new schedules, was received and ordered filed.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated December 14, 1907, of the deposit of certain moneys to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Request of the President, Borough of Brooklyn, dated December 11, 1907, for the transfer to his department of Benjamin F. Underhill, Transitman, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Request of the President, Borough of Brooklyn, dated December 11, 1907, for the transfer to his department of Claude S. Haynes, Assistant Engineer, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated December 12, 1907, with regard to the proceedings in reference to the acquisition of Parcels Nos. 10½ and 15½ Eighth Cornell, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated December 13, 1907, transmitting statement delimiting and defining the easement sought to be acquired in Parcels Nos. 92, 93 and 94 (Juengst parcels), Croton Falls Reservoir, and requesting that same be signed and returned, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Application of William H. Fry, Inspector of Masonry, dated December 14, 1907, for a leave of absence, without pay, for thirty days from December 31, 1907, was received and ordered filed and the application granted.

Communication from H. R. Barrett, dated December 14, 1907, with regard to claim of John Hunt, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Report No. 1664 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 17, 1907, recommending the appointment of John M. Connolly as stenographer and typewriter, at a salary of $1,050 per annum, for assignment at Croton Falls, N. Y., was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1,664, dated December 17, 1907, John M. Connolly be and hereby is appointed stenographer and typewriter, at a salary of $1,050 per annum, for assignment at Croton Falls, N. Y., to take effect when assigned to duty by the Chief Engineer, he having been certified as eligible by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on December 6, 1907.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned until Friday, December 20, 1907, at 1 o'clock P. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Friday, December 20, 1907, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears and Expert Engineer Burr.

Also, I. J. Beaudrias, Esq., special counsel.

The Commissioners had under consideration the claim filed by Messrs. Juengst & Sons with the Commissioners of Appraisal in connection with the diversion of the flood waters of the East Branch of the Croton River, and the request made by their counsel, A. J. Miller, Esq., at the previous meeting that the minimum amount of water to be allowed to flow daily passed the Juengst property at Croton Falls be forty million gallons.

Whereupon, after discussion, the matter was referred to the Chief Engineer to confer with Mr. Beaudrias and report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

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AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 7, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of December 24, 1907, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18,756, amounting to $41,792.63, which was approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending December 12, 19 and 26, 1907, were referred to the Construction Committee.

The Chief Engineer returned requests of President of Borough of Brooklyn, dated December 11, 1907, for the transfer to his department of Claude S. Haynes, Assistant Engineer, and Benjamin F. Underhill, Transitman, with no objection thereto, after January 15, 1908.

The President was thereupon authorized to consent to such proposed transfers.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated December 27, 1907, stating that the sum of $5,102.24 had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund" was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated December 31, 1907, requesting information relative to claim of John B. McDonald for work and materials, amounting to $6,748.47, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from Board of Water Supply, dated December 24, 1907, transmitting letter from John A. Delehanty, dated December 23, 1907, and copy of claim

filed by the Hudson River Telephone Company, for compensation as damages in connection with the acquisition of certain lands in Putnam and Westchester Counties by the City, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 2, 1908, inquiring with regard to proposed agreements with the Hudson River Telephone Company for the reconstruction and relocation of certain telephone lines in connection with the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from Nathan P. Bushnell, counsel for Board of Highway Commissioners, Town of Cortlandt, dated December 23, 1907, submitting statement of the particulars of the claim of said town with regard to the new highway system, was received and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in reference thereto.

Communication from H. R. Barrett, dated January 3, 1908, with regard to claim of John S. Hunt, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Resignation of James F. Holder, Clerk, to take effect December 31, 1907, was received and accepted as of said date.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 14, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of January 7, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18,759, amounting to $11,141.38, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18,760 to 18,770, inclusive, amounting to $670.40, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 9, 1908, with regard to claim and proposed form of agreement with the Hudson River Telephone Company, and stated that on January 10, 1908, he had replied thereto.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

The President also reported the receipt of another communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 9, 1908, with regard to the width of the new roads being built by the City in the Towns of Carmel and Southeast in connection with the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, and stated that he had replied thereto.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 2, 1908, was referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1667 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 14, 1908, with regard to communication from the Comptroller, dated December 31, 1907, relative to claim No. 54,392 filed in the Department of Finance by John B. McDonald as surviving partner

of the firm of McDonald & Onderdonk, amounting to $6,748.47, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply in accordance with said report.

Communication from Comptroller, dated January 4, 1908, suggesting conference between officials with regard to preparation of new form of tax bill to be used on all vouchers for the payment of taxes on property of the City, was received and referred to the Secretary to comply.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated January 7, 1908, returning, with his approval, manuscript of form of contract, specifications and bond for erecting iron fence at Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Two communications from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated January 11, 1908, approving transfers of Benjamin F. Underhill, Transitman, and Claude S. Haynes, Assistant Engineer, to the office of the President, Borough of Brooklyn, were received and ordered filed.

Two communications from the President, Borough of Brooklyn, dated January 10 and 13, 1908, stating that Claude S. Haynes, Assistant Engineer, and Benjamin F. Underhill, Transitman, respectively, had been directed to report for duty at his office on January 16, 1908, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated January 7, 1908, requesting the transfer to said Board of two 400-foot steel tapes, if the same were not required by this Commission, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 13, 1908, with regard to the width of the new highways being constructed in connection with the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Petition from Messrs. George Juengst and others, dated December 30, 1907, with regard to disturbances of the peace in the vicinity of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply thereto.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 21, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of January 14, 1908, were read and approved.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 9, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated January 9, stating that on December 26 and 27, 1907, the sums of $51,022.38 and $5,102.24, respectively, were deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated January 17, 1908, stating that requisite forms of a uniform tax bill to be used on all vouchers for payment of taxes on property owned by the City, had been forwarded for use by this Commission, was received and ordered filed, and the Secretary directed to conform thereto.

Communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 20, 1908, with reference to action by the Town of North Salem against the City relative to the width of highways constructed by the City in said town, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated January 18, 1908, requesting statement showing the date of acquisition, compensation paid, and outline map of parcels of land under the control of this Commission, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated January 16, 1908, transmitting resolution adopted by said Board fixing grade and compensation of position of Engineman, was received and ordered filed.

The Chief Engineer orally reported that pursuant to instructions of the Commissioners he had conferred with the Chief Engineer of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity with regard to the completed structures under the jurisdiction of the Aqueduct Commissioners and that at the suggestion of Chief Engineer de Verona the matter had been deferred for further consideration.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, January 28, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of January 21, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18777 to 18798, inclusive, amounting to $2,513.82, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending January 16, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1668 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 28, 1908, in regard to communication from the Comptroller, dated January 18, 1908, relative to a statement showing all property under jurisdiction of Commissioners, date of acquisition, consideration paid, etc., was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Comptroller in reference thereto.

Report No. 1669 of the Chief Engineer, dated January 28, 1908, requesting that the Corporation Counsel be asked to obtain possession of certain property required in connection with the construction of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated January 27, 1908, certifying the names of employees having passed promotion examination to Transitman, was received and ordered filed, and in connection therewith the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That Louis H. Piser and Patrick A. Keane be and hereby are promoted to the grade of Transitman, with salaries at the rate of $1,650 per annum each, to take effect February 1, 1908, they having been certified by the Municipal Civil Service Commission on January 27, 1908, as eligible for such promotion.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Abram J. Miller, dated January 22, 1908, in regard to the minimum amount of water to be allowed to flow past the diverting dam to be constructed on the East Branch of the Croton River, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer in connection with previous communications on the same subject.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, February 4, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, February 11, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated Acting Secretary.

The minutes of January 28, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in vouchers Nos. 18,803 and 18,804, amounting to $62,098.40; and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,805 to 18,825, inclusive, amounting to $4183.79, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, be and hereby are approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 10, Towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, New York.....$1116.63
School District No. 12, Towns of Cortlandt and Yorktown, New York..... 1455.59

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending January 23 and 30, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1670 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 11, 1908, recommending that certain Inspectors of Masonry be dropped from the pay-roll, on account of lack of work, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1670, John C. Kennerk, Inspector of Masonry, be and hereby is dismissed from the service, on account of lack of work, to take effect February 12, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following preamble and resolution were also offered:

Whereas, The Chief Engineer having recommended in Report No. 1670 that John H. Slingerland and James McCartney, Inspectors of Masonry at Jerome Park Reservoir, be dropped from the pay-roll on account of lack of work, and it appearing from the records that said Slingerland and McCartney are veterans within the meaning of the civil service law and should not be discharged from the public service, but should be transferred to some other branch of said service in such position as they may be fitted to fill; therefore

Resolved, That the Chief Engineer be and hereby is directed to transfer John H. Slingerland and James McCartney, Inspectors of Masonry, to some other division than the Jerome Park Reservoir Division, and to submit the names of other Inspectors of Masonry to be dropped from the pay-roll in place of said Slingerland and McCartney in accordance with the recommendation contained in his said report.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1671 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 4, 1908, suggesting that the engineering force at the Jerome Park Reservoir be reduced after March 1 next, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Colgate Hoyt, President of the Automobile Company of America, dated January 24, 1908, petitioning to have the loop on the road which leads from the bridge under the new Croton Dam to the top of that dam widened so that it will be possible for automobiles to make the turn without backing, together with

Report No. 1672 of the Chief Engineer thereon, dated February 4, 1908, were received and ordered filed, and the President directed to reply to said communication and the Chief Engineer directed to have appropriate signs placed adjacent to said road notifying the public that it is not a public highway but a private road.

Communications from the Comptroller, dated January 22, two dated January 23, one dated January 30 and two dated February 1, 1908, of the deposit of moneys to the credit of "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Application of James A. Gearty, Inspector of Masonry, for a leave of absence, without pay, for thirty days was received and granted.

Application of Michael Bourke, Inspector of Masonry, for a leave of absence, without pay, for thirty days, was received and granted.

Application of William E. King, Transitman, dated February 3, 1908, for change of title to Topographical Draughtsman, was received and ordered filed, and the President directed to request the Municipal Civil Service Commission to authorize such change, if consistent with the rules.

Applications of George B. Burbank, dated January 30, and George A. Soper, dated January 31, 1908, for copies of the Aqueduct Commissioners' report, were received and ordered referred to the President for reply.

Communication from Harry A. York, Auditor of Accounts, Department of Finance, dated January 30, 1908, in relation to voucher in favor of McDonald & Onderdonk for $263,840.49, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Secretary directed thereto.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, February 18, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of February 11, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,835 to 18,843, inclusive, amounting to $581.25, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comtproller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for State, County and Town taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, due the Town of Carmel, N. Y., amounting to $313.28, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending February 6 and 13, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1673 of the Chief Engineer dated February 17, 1908, recommending payment of bill of Coldwell-Wilcox Company for cutting off pipe in vault chamber, New Croton Dam, and for repairing iron fence on breast wall at the old Croton Dam,

amounting to $342.04, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher for the payment thereof, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1674 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 17, 1908, requesting authority to procure painter's stage, material, etc., in connection with the work of filling up temperature cracks in the Cross River Dam, at a cost not to exceed $100, was received and ordered filed and the authority therein requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated February 10, 1908, stating that the sum of $61,226.86 had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 17, 1908, stating that the transfer of William E. King from Transitman and Computer to Topographical Draughtsman could not be considered at present because of an eligible list for the latter position, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Francis Newton, Chairman Exhibition Committee, Municipal Art Society of New York, dated February 15, 1908, inviting the contribution of exhibits to the Seventh Annual Exhibition of said Society, was received and referred to the President for reply.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That Frederick B. Faitoute, Inspector of Masonry, be and hereby is dismissed from the service on account of lack of work, to take effect February 20, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, February 25, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of February 18, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,846 to 18,850, inclusive, amounting to $468.06, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for school taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, of School District No. 5, Town of North Salem, N. Y., amounting to $36.63, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1675 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 25, 1908, recommending that Frederick B. Faitoute be reinstated as Inspector of Masonry, from which position he was dismissed at the meeting held February 18, 1908, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1675, dated February 25, 1908, Frederick B. Faitoute be and hereby is re-

instated as Inspector Masonry, from which position he was dismissed on February 18, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Opinion from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 20, 1908, advising the Commissioners that they should reject the claim presented by H. R. Barrett, attorney for John Hunt, under date of November 18, 1907, for damages alleged to have been caused to said Hunt, who owned Parcel No. 67, Cross River Proceeding, Section No. 2, by the obliteration of the village of Cross River, was received and ordered filed and said claim denied, and the President directed to notify Mr. Barrett accordingly.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated February 17, 1908, stating that the sum of $102,044.76 had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 20, 1908, submitting list of persons having passed promotion examination to Assistant Engineer, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from George H. Walker & Company, dated February 20, 1908, requesting the latest plan of the new Croton Reservoir, showing the roads, etc., was received and referred to the Chief Engineer to comply.

Communication from J. Homer Travis, dated February 18, 1908, making inquiry with regard to compensation for cemetery plot at Katonah, which was acquired by the City, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Application of Frederick B. Faitoute, dated February 25, 1908, for leave of absence as Inspector of Masonry, without pay, for thirty days, from to-day, was received and ordered filed and the application granted.

Report No. 1675 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 25, 1908, stating that Abraham Clerke, Stoker, died on February 22, 1908, was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned until Wednesday, February 26, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Wednesday, February 26, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

Report No. 1671 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 4, 1908, suggesting reduction in the Engineer Corps, was called from the file and considered, and in connection therewith the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following named employes be and hereby are dismissed from the service of the Aqueduct Commissioners, on account of lack of work, to take effect on and after March 1, 1908, viz.:

Adelbert R. Nichols, Assistant Engineer.

William Goldbacher, Transitman.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Applications for leave of absence for thirty days, without pay, were received from the following named employes and granted, to take effect on March 1, 1908, viz.:

John P. Schermerhorn, Assistant Engineer.

Horace B. Loomis, Assistant Engineer.

Alexander S. Farmer, Assistant Engineer.

John C. Fagan, Transitman.

Frank B. McLean, Transitman.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 25, 1908, requesting that Joseph Dugan, Axeman, be dismissed from the service of this Commission, was received and ordered filed, and in connection therewith the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the request contained in the communication of the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 25, 1908, Joseph Dugan, Axeman, be and hereby is dismissed from the service of this Commission, to take effect immediately.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 3, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of February 25 and 26, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18851, amounting to $45,043.02, which was approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending February 20, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1677 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 29, 1908, relating to inquiry of J. Homer Travis as to payment for cemetery plot at Katonah, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply giving the information requested.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated February 24, 1908, transmitting copy of report of Engineer of Department of Finance with regard to the method of construction of boundary walls by contractors for the city in the vicinity of Croton Falls, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for such action as may be necessary.

Communication from Corporation Counsel, dated February 28, 1908, with regard to obtaining possession of certain parcels of land and the buildings thereon in the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, 1st and 2d Supplemental Proceedings, pursuant to request of this Commission of February 13, 1908, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 28, 1908, transmitting copy of communication from Victor B. Miller with regard to alleged damages

caused to his property at Croton Falls, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from H. T. Dykman, dated March 2, 1908, with regard to the inaccessibility of the property owned by Mary Haight, Parcel No. 135, 8th Cornell Dam Proceeding, by construction of fences by the city, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Resignation of James A. Gearty, dated March 2, 1908, as Inspector of Masonry, was received and accepted as of March 2, 1908.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER. Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 10, 1908, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated Acting Secretary.

The minutes of March 3, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,856 to 18,869, inclusive, amounting to $751.95, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1.678 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 2, 1908, with regard to additional storage in the Croton watershed, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1,679 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 9, 1908, relating to communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 28, 1908, relative to obtaining immediate possession of certain parcels of land and the buildings thereon at the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, First and Second Supplemental Proceedings, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1,680 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 9, 1908, with regard to communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 28, 1908, referring to claim of Victor B. Miller for damages alleged to have been caused to his property at Croton Falls, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1,681 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 9, 1908, with regard to communication from H. T. Dykman, dated March 2, 1908, relating to land formerly owned by Mary Haight, Parcel No. 135, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with Mr. Dykman in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1,682 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 9, 1908, requesting authority to make certain repairs to the roof of the record vault and the telephone booth at the Jerome Park Reservoir, at an approximate cost of $125.00, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated March 2, 1908, with regard to increase in cost, and increase in number of acres under item for clearing Cross River Reservoir, together with Report No. 1,683 of the Chief Engineer thereon, dated March 10, 1908, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1,684 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 10, 1908, recommending that Michael F. Bourke, Inspector of Masonry, be dropped from the pay-roll on account of lack of work, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Report No. 1,684, Michael F. Bourke, Inspector of Masonry, be and hereby is dropped from the pay-roll on account of lack of work, to take effect March 12, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Department of Finance, dated Feb. 24, 1908, with regard to deduction of salary of Joseph Dugan, Axeman, from the pay-roll, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Secretary directed thereto.

Communications from the Assistant Deputy Comptroller (1), dated February 28, and (2) dated March 6, 1908, of the deposit of moneys to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated March 2, 1908, requesting certain information regarding records, keeping of accounts, purchases, etc., and also requesting two copies of blank forms of contract used in this Commission, were received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to furnish same.

Communication from C. G. Smith, Secretary, German American Insurance Company, dated March 4, 1908, relating to emergency reservoirs in the Croton watershed, was received, the President directed to reply and the communication referred to the Construction Committee.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, March 17, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 24, 1908, at 2 P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of March 10, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18,878 to 18,886, inclusive, amounting to $365.98, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President orally reported that on March 19 he had consented to the transfer of Frederick B. Faitoute, Inspector of Masonry, in this Commission, to a similar position in the Department of Bridges, in accordance with request from said department dated March 16, 1908.

The action of the President was approved.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending February 27, March 5 and 12, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1,685 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 17, 1908, recommending the promotion of certain Levelers to Transitmen, was received and ordered to lie over.

Report No. 1,686 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 24, 1908, recommending that John P. Schermerhorn, Assistant Engineer, and Frank B. McLean, Transitman, be dropped from the pay-rolls, owing to lack of work, to take effect at the expiration of their leaves of absence, viz., March 30, 1908, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1,686, the following named employes be and hereby are dismissed from

the service of this Commission, owing to lack of work, to take effect at the close of the working day March 30, 1908, viz.:

John P. Schermerhorn, Assistant Engineer.

Frank B. McLean, Transitman.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Circular letter from the Mayor, dated March 14, 1908, with regard to the speed of automobiles driven by City employees, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated March 23, 1908, stating that the proposed transfer of Frederick B. Faitoute, Inspector of Masonry to the Department of Bridges, had been disapproved, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Messrs. George Juengst & Sons, dated March 20, 1908, with regard to the diversion of the waters of the East Branch of the Croton river, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer, to confer with Mr. Beaudrias and report.

Report No. 1,687 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 24, 1908, recommending that Frederick B. Faitoute, Inspector of Masonry, be discharged, owing to lack of work, to take effect at the expiration of his leave of absence, on March 25, 1908, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer, contained in Report No. 1,687, Frederick B. Faitoute, Inspector of Masonry, be and hereby is dismissed from the service of this Commission, owing to lack of work, to take effect at the close of the working day March 25, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Secretary, Department of Docks and Ferries, dated March 24, 1908, for the transfer to said department of Horace B. Loomis, Assistant Engineer, in this Commission, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Communication from Calvin Bullock, dated Denver, Colo., March 18, 1908, and addressed to the Comptroller, requesting data with regard to the new Croton Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply thereto.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On Tuesday, March 31, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, April 7, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of March 24, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in voucher No. 18891, amounting to $22,902.93, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18892 to 18896, inclusive, amounting to $123.03, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President orally reported that, in response to request contained in communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated March 27, 1908, he had consented to the transfer to said Board of Alexander S. Farmer, Assistant Engineer in this Commission.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending March 19, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Chief Engineer, dated March 30, 1908, relating to action taken by the Chief Engineer in regard to dead fish on the shores of Croton Lake, was received, approved and ordered filed.

Report No. 1688 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 7, 1908, relating to communication from H. T. Dykman, dated January 20, 1908, in reference to highways in the Town of North Salem, near Purdy's Station, N. Y., and stating that he had forwarded copies of certain documents relating to the matter to Mr. Dykman, was received and ordered filed.

Report No. 1690 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 7, 1908, requesting authority

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 25, 1908, requesting that Joseph Dugan, Axeman, be dismissed from the service of this Commission, was received and ordered filed, and in connection therewith the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the request contained in the communication of the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated February 25, 1908, Joseph Dugan, Axeman, be and hereby is dismissed from the service of this Commission, to take effect immediately.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, March 3, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of February 25 and 26, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 18851, amounting to $45,043.02, which was approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending February 20, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1677 of the Chief Engineer, dated February 29, 1908, relating to inquiry of J. Homer Travis as to payment for cemetery plot at Katonah, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply giving the information requested.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated February 24, 1908, transmitting copy of report of Engineer of Department of Finance with regard to the method of construction of boundary walls by contractors for the city in the vicinity of Croton Falls, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for such action as may be necessary.

Communication from Corporation Counsel, dated February 28, 1908, with regard to obtaining possession of certain parcels of land and the buildings thereon in the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, 1st and 2d Supplemental Proceedings, pursuant to request of this Commission of February 13, 1908, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated February 28, 1908, transmitting copy of communication from Victor B. Miller with regard to alleged damages

Reservoir K, and stating that he had examined the same and found it correct, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to sign said statement on behalf of the Commissioners and return it to Mr. Beaudrias for filing with the Commissioners of Appraisal.

Communication from the Department of Finance, dated April 7, 1908, stating that the sum of $5,213.20 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Department of Docks, dated April 4, 1908, stating that Horace B. Loomis had been transferred from the position of Assistant Engineer in this Commission to that of Transitman and Computer in said Department, to take effect April 6, 1908, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April 10, 1908, stating that the proposed transfer of Alexander S. Farmer, Assistant Engineer, to the Board of Water Supply, had been disapproved, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April 13, 1908, stating that the transfer of James H. McKenna, Rodman, from this Commission to the office of the President, Borough of Brooklyn, had been approved, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Enginer and Secretary directed thereto.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of The City of New York, the President of this Commission be and hereby is authorized and directed to enter into a lease with the owner of the Stewart Building, in said city, for the occupancy of Rooms 206, 207, 209, 211, 213, 214, 215 and 216 by the Aqueduct Commissioners, for one year from May 1, 1908, at a rental of seven thousand five hundred dollars ($7,500) per annum, payable quarterly, at the expiration of each quarter.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, April 21, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of April 14th, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 18905 to 18925, inclusive, amounting to $1,517.77, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Circular letter from the Comptroller, dated April 15, 1908, with regard to certain clauses to be embodied in contracts in connection with assignments thereof, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from the Croton Falls Construction Company, dated April 14, 1908, requesting that the steel derrick towers called for in the contract and specifications for the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, be omitted therefrom, was received and referred to the Chief Enginer for report.

Communication from the Merchants' Association of New York, dated April 14, 1908, requesting copy of report and of bound volumes of minutes, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from Andrew Jackson, Jr., dated April 17, 1908, and Mrs. H. Goodman, dated April 16, 1908, residents in the vicinity of Jerome Park Reservoir, complaining of disorderly acts of squatters occupying land in the neighborhood of said reservoir, together with a communication of the Chief Engineer thereon, dated April 20, 1908, were received and ordered filed, the President directed to call the attention of the Police Department to the complaints referred to, and the Chief Engineer directed to cause the removal of any buildings or other unauthorized encumbrances from the land under the jurisdiction of the Aqueduct Commissioners.

Communication from the Chief Engineer, dated April 20, 1908, stating that the Division Engineer at Jerome Park Reservoir had complained that the lawless element of the population living near the office and Gatehouse No. 4 at Jerome Avenue create disturbances and cause damage to property of the City, etc., was received and ordered filed and the President directed to call the attention of the Police Department to the matter and request that such action be taken as the circumstances may warrant.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, April 28, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 5, 1908, at 2 o clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of April 21, 1908, were read and approved.

I. J. Beaudrias, Esq., Special Counsel, appeared before the Commissioners in the matter of the new highways at the Cross River Reservoir, and, after discussion, it was decided to prepare a form of letter for transmission to the representatives of the various towns in relation to the subject.

The Chairman of the Committee of Finance and Audit presented bill of R. L. Fox for furnishring copies of legislative bills, etc., amounting to $100.00, with recommendation that the same be approved and certified to the Comptroller for payment. The recommendation of the Committee was approved and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher for the payment of said bill.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18936 to 18948, inclusive, amounting to $2,732.41, and of estimate contained in voucher No. 18949, amounting to $58,572.41, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following preamble and resolution was offered:

Whereas, In the opinion of the Aqueduct Commissioners, the further sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) will be required to defray the necessary and lawful expenditures of said Commissioners; therefore

Resolved, That the Comptroller of The City of New York be and hereby is requested to raise the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) upon bonds of The City of New York, in conformity with the requirements of section 32, chapter 490, Laws of 1883, of the State of New York, for the uses and purposes of the Aqueduct Commissioners, as set forth in said chapter and section of said law.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated January 7, 1908, submitting, with his approval, manuscript copy of contract, specifications, etc., for iron fencing at Jerome Park Reservoir with recommendation that said contract be returned to the Chief Engineer with request to embody therein the clauses relating to assignments, pursuant to circular letter of the Comptroller, dated April 15, 1908, and that he consider the advisability of increasing the height of the three-foot part of said fence to four feet.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Report No. 1699 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 5, 1908, recommending payment of bill of James H. O'Loughlin for team hire on April 1, 1908, amounting to $5.00, was received, approved and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher for the payment of said bill.

The Commissioners then adjourned until Thursday, May 7, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Thursday, May 7, 1908, at 11 o clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The President orally reported that on April 24, 1908, he had requested the President, Borough of Manhattan, to consent to the transfer of Charles V. Maguire, employed as Attendant in his office, to a similar position in this Commission, and in connection therewith presented a communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April 27, 1908, approving such proposed transfer.

The action of the President was approved, and the communication ordered filed.

The following resolution was thereupon offered:

Resolved, That Charles V. Maguire be and hereby is transferred from the position of Attendant in the office of the President of the Borough of Manhattan and appointed as Attendant in this Commission, at a salary of $900.00 per annum, to take effect May 9, 1908, the Municipal Civil Service Commission having approved such transfer in a communication to this Commission dated April 27, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Chairman of the Committee of Finance and Audit presented bill of J. L. Carney, dated March 24, 1908, for automobile hire, amounting to $15.00, and bill of Arthur Wm. Klemt, dated May 1, 1908, for automobile hire, amounting to $35.00, which were approved and the Secretary directed to prepare vouchers for the payment thereof.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying voucher in favor of the Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, N. Y., for state, county and town taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservations,

etc., amounting to $29,975.81, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending April 16 and 23, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1692 of the Chief Engineer, dated April 20, 1908, with regard to proposed agreement with the Hudson River Telephone Company in connection with the removal and relocation of its lines and poles at the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, was received and returned to the Chief Engineer for further report.

Report No. 1696 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 5, 1908, presenting final estimate of work performed and materials furnished in the construction of the Cross River Dam and Reservoir, was received and ordered to lie over.

Report No. 1697 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 5, 1908, with regard to application of the Croton Falls Construction Company, dated April 14, 1908, for the elimination of the steel derrick towers in connection with their contract for the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, was received and returned to the Chief Engineer for further report and recommendation.

Report No. 1698 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 5, 1908, with regard to map offered in evidence on trial of Parcel No. 419, Cornell Dam, 8th Supplemental proceeding, and stating that the same was substantially correct, was received and ordered filed, and the President directed to communicate with Mr. I. J. Beaudrias, Special Counsel, accordingly.

Report No. 1700 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 7, 1908, requesting authority to replace a portion of the filtration field from the Electrozone Plant of the Village of Brewsters, N. Y., on account of the construction of Highway No. 1, near said village, at an approximate cost of $300.00 was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Three communications from the Department of Finance of the deposit of moneys to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered spread on the books, as follows:

April 28, 1908	$31,278.17
April 29, 1908	52,131.96
April 30, 1908	156,395.85

Circular letter from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated April 21, 1908, stating that the employment of persons redering professional, scientific, technical or expert service to any City department, at a compensation not to exceed $7:0.00, would not be renewed until the expiration of twelve calendar months, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated April 29 1908, requesting the transfer of Charles M. Clarke, Assistant Engineer in this Commission, to a similar position in said department, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated May 6, 1908, transmitting certified copy of resolution of said Board approving the renewal, by the Aqueduct Commissioners, of lease of rooms in Stewart Building, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Messrs. MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston and Company, dated April 21, 1908, with regard to an extension of time in connection with their contract for constructing the Cross River Dam and Reservoir, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Application of George F. Swain, dated Boston, May 1, 1908, for copy of Aqueduct Commissioners' report, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Resignation of George G. Honness, Division Engineer, dated May 4, 1908, was received and ordered to lie over.

Application of Vincent J. Smith, dated April 25, 1908, for reinstatement as Attendant, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Police Commissioner, dated April 22, 1908, stating that complaints in regard to lawlessness in the vicinity of the Jerome Park Reservoir, had been received and would be given immediate attention, was received and ordered filed.

Commissioner Ten Eyck gave notice, pursuant to the rules, that at the next stated meeting of the Commissioners he would move to amend Section 2, Article I of the By-Laws, by changing the hour of stated meetings of the Commissioners from two o'clock P. M. to 11 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday of each week.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 12, 1908, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of May 5 and 7, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18951 to 18956, inclusive, amounting to $419.18, and of estimate contained in voucher No. 18959, amounting to $157,514.67, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill in favor of School District No. 13, Town of Southeast, Putnam County, N. Y., for school taxes for 1907 on property acquired by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, amounting to $58.15, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill in favor of the Town of Southeast, Putnam County, N. Y., for state, county and town taxes for the year 1907 on property acquired by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, amounting to $286.98, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending April 30, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1701 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 11, 1908, requesting authority to expend approximately $150.00 in cleaning out sewer or drain from Gatehouse No. 6, Jerome Park Reservoir, and also siphon under Putnam Branch Railroad, was received and ordered filed and the authority asked for granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated May 11, 1908, requesting space in the storage room at Jerome Park Reservoir for safe keeping of records of said department, was received and, upon the Chief Engineer orally reporting that the space was available for the purposes of said department without interfering with the requirements of this Commission and recommending that the request be granted, the communication was ordered filed and the President directed to reply accordingly.

Communication of George B. Burbank, dated May 8, 1908, with regard to obtaining a copy of the Aqueduct Commissioners' report from 1895 to 1907, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to forward a copy of the report to Mr. Burbank.

Report No. 1696 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 5, 1908, presenting final estimate of work performed and material furnished in the construction of the Cross River Dam and Reservoir by MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston & Company, under contract dated June 21, 1905, which was ordered to lie over at the previous meeting, was ordered filed, and in connection therewith the following preambles and resolution was offered:

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of this Commission has certified, under date of May 5, 1908, that, in his opinion, MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston & Company have completely performed and carried out the provisions of the contract made by them with this Commission on June 21, 1905, for the construction of the Cross River Dam and Reservoir (Reservoir N), in the towns of Bedford, Lewisboro and Poundridge, Westchester County, N. Y.; and has stated from actual measurements the whole amount of work done and materials furnished under and according to the terms of said contract, and the true value thereof; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer has submitted Report No. 1696, dated May 5, 1908, stating that no loss or inconvenience has been experienced by The City of New York on account of the failure of the contractors to complete said contract within the time

specified, and that no direct and computable damages have been caused to the City by such failure, and recommending that the final estimate be paid in full; therefore

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners do accept the work done and materials furnished by MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston and Company under the contract above referred to, and direct that a proper voucher for the final payment therefor be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Certificate in duplicate providing for the acceptance of the work done and materials furnished by MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston & Company under their contract for the construction of the Cross River Dam and Reservoir, dated June 21, 1905, were presented by the Secretary and executed by the Commissioners.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated May 8, 1908, stating that on April 21, 1908, there was collected by the Collector of City Revenues and Markets the sum of $25.00 and credited to "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

On motion, Commissioner Ten Eyck was appointed a committee of one to report on certain proposed amendments to the By-Laws and rules of order.

Pursuant to notice given at the previous meeting, Commissioner Ten Eyck moved to amend Section 2, Article I, of the By-laws, by changing the hour of stated meetings of the Commissioners from two o'clock P. M. to eleven o'clock A. M. on Tuesday of each week.

Which was seconded and carried.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, May 19, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of May 12, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18966 to 18970, inclusive, amounting to $865.51, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for state, county and town taxes for the year 1907 on property acquired by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

Town of New Castle, N. Y.	$123.22
Town of North Salem, N. Y.	687.09

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1678 of the Chief Engineer, dated March 2, 1908, with regard to additional storage in the Croton watershed and recommending the immediate construction of a reservoir at the Patterson site, with the recommendation that said report be approved and filed and that the Chief Engineer be directed to proceed with the investigations and surveys necessary for the preparation of plans, etc., for the construction of a dam and reservoir at the Patterson site. The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending May 7, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from Elgin R. L. Gould, Commissioner New York Charter Commission, dated May 13, 1908, requesting certain information relating to an investigation of the indebtedness of the City of New York in relation to the limitation thereof prescribed by Section 10 of Article 8 of the State Constitution, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from the President, Borough of Brooklyn, dated May 18, 1908, requesting two copies of the Aqueduct Commissioners' report 1895-1907, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to furnish same.

Communication from Louis Schrag, Chairman Law and Legislation Committee, West Side Taxpayers' Association, dated May 16, 1908, transmitting resolutions adopted by said association in relation to the water supply of the city, was received and ordered filed.

On motion, the President was directed to request the Municipal Civil Service Commission to authorize the reinstatement of Vincent J. Smith as Attendant in this Commission at a salary of $900 per annum.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, May 26, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, June 2, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of May 19, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18975 to 18982, inclusive, amounting to $10,290.63, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved that the following bills of state, county and town taxes for the year 1907 on property acquired by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

Town of Lewisboro, N. Y.	$689.23
Town of Bedford, N. Y.	7,296.61
Town of Somers, N. Y.	1,324.75
Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	742.15

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction or Executive Committee returned to the Commissioners communication from C. G. Smith, Secretary German American Fire Insurance Company, dated March 4, 1908, relating to storage in the Croton watershed, with the recommendation that the same be filed.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Progress report of the Chief Engineer for the week ending May 4, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1702 of the Chief Engineer, dated May 28, 1908, recommending that the salary of John O'Connor, Transitman, be fixed at $1,800 per annum was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1702, the salary of John O'Connor, Transitman, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $1,800 per annum, to take effect on this date.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Department of Finance, dated May 20, 1908, of the deposit of $104,263.90 to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated May 19, 1908, transmitting a certified copy of resolution adopted by said Board on May 15, 1908, authorizing the Comptroller to issue corporate stock to the amount of $500,000 for the necessary and lawful expenditure of this Commission, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Secretary Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated May 20, 1908, stating that the proposed reinstatement of Vincent J. Smith as Attendant could not be allowed for the reason that there was a preferred list for Attendant in existence, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated May 27, 1908, approving the transfer of Charles M. Clarke, Assistant Engineer, to the Board of Water Supply, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from the Secretary N. Y. Charter Commission, dated May 21, 1908, acknowledging receipt of communication furnishing information desired, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Mrs. Edward St. John, dated Brewster, N. Y., May 17, 1908, with regard to her occupation of house at Croton Falls and wages claimed to be due her husband from the Croton Falls Construction Company together with reply of said company, were received and referred to the Chief Engineer for investigation and report.

Communication from Messrs. McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir, dated May 27, 1908, requesting the consideration of matters relating to the suspension of work under the contract for said reservoir with a view of prompt and final settlement, and a formal cancellation of the contract, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to obtain the advice of the Corporation Counsel as to the course to be pursued in the premises.

Communication from H. R. Barrett, attorney, dated May 26, 1908, submitting proposition on behalf of Alfred P. Mead and Mrs. Mead for the purchase of certain buildings on Parcel 48 Croton Falls proceeding, 1st supplemental taking, was received and disapproved and the President directed to notify Mr. Barrett accordingly.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated May 26, 1908, submitting form of letter of notification to the Town Boards and the Highway Commissioners of the various towns in which the Cross River Reservoir and Dam are located, regarding the completion of the highways, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to transmit the letters accordingly.

Communication from William F. McCabe, dated June 2, 1908, requesting permission (in the event of being awarded a contract for macadamizing the road leading from Cross River Bridge to the Town of Lewisboro) to blast out a ledge of rock on line of proposed improvement and crush the stone for macadamizing said road, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to reply that in the absence of any positive offer to do the work the Commissioners do not feel that any action by them is called for in the premises.

Commissioner Ten Eyck submitted his report as a committee of one with regard to certain proposed amendments to the By-Laws and Rules of Order, which was adopted and the By-Laws and Rules of Order ordered printed, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Resignation of George G. Honnes as Division Engineer, dated May 4, 1908, which was ordered to lie over May 7, 1908, was taken from the Calendar and accepted to take effect on May 31, 1908.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, June 9, 1908, the Commissioners adjourned to meet on Thursday, June 11, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Thursday, June 11, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of June 2, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 18986 to 19001, inclusive, amounting to $666.71, and of estimate contained in voucher No. 18985, amounting to $65,399.31, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for state, county and town taxes for the year 1907 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton Watershed, in favor of the Town of Poundridge, N. Y., amounting to $11.61, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction Committee reported that at its meeting held on June 9, 1908, Frank Platt, Esq., Counsel for the Croton Falls Construction Company, accompanied by Messrs. J. F. Cogan and M. Sexton of said company, appeared before said com-

mittee and were heard in the matter of the application of said company, dated April 14, 1908, for the elimination of the steel derrick towers required under the contract for the construction of the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir; and recommended that the matter lie over pending receipt of the report of the Chief Engineer on the subject.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Report No. 1703 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 5, 1908, submitting itemized statement of the amount which the Hudson River Telephone Company has agreed to accept as compensation for the removal and relocation of its lines in connection with the construction of the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, together with map, and recommending that the necessary action be taken in order that the poles and lines may be removed at the earliest possible date, was received and the President authorized to communicate with the attorney for the company requesting to be advised as to the source of its rights as owner, or otherwise, of the real estate and property in question.

Report No. 1704 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 8, 1908, submitting plans and specifications and form of contract for the construction of iron fence around the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to have the same printed, by the folowing vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1705 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 9, 1908, with regard to sale of grass on the Croton River and the Katonah Divisions, was received and ordered filed and the President and Secretary authorized to take the necessary steps to provide for the sale, at public auction.

Communication from Ambrose Lee, Jr., Assistant Chief Clerk, Department of Health, dated June 9, 1908, transmitting report of Inspector of said Department relative to pools of water in depressions in the eastern basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir, together with Report No. 1707 of the Chief Engineer thereon, dated June 11, 1908, were received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with the Department of Health in accordance with said report.

Application of John Peterson, dated June 5, 1908, for a copy of the Aqueduct Commissioners' report 1895-1907, was received and granted.

Two communications from the Department of Finance, dated June 8, 1908, of the deposit of moneys to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered on the books and filed, viz.:

June 3, 1908	$52,131.95
June 4, 1908	78,197.92

The Comptroller, under dates of May 26, 1908, and June 5, 1908, gave notice of the issue of warrants not certified to by the Aqueduct Commissioners for the period from November 1, 1906, to December 31, 1907, inclusive, amounting to $423,-500.72; which were ordered entered on the books and filed.

Opinion from the Corporation Counsel, dated June 11, 1908, in reply to communication of this Commission of June 3, 1908, requesting to be advised as to the course to be pursued in relation to the application of Messrs. McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors for the Jerome Park Reservoir, for final settlement and a cancellation of the contract for said reservoir, was received and the opinion, and communication from the contractors, together with statement of claims accompanying the latter, were referred to the Chief Engineer for investigation and report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On Tuesday, June 16, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, June 23, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present: Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated acting Secretary.

Melville Egleston, Esq., Counsel for the Hudson River Telephone Company, appeared before the Commissioners and was heard with regard to communication of this Commission of June 11, 1908, asking to be advised as to the source of the company's rights as owner, or otherwise, of the real estate and property affected in the matter of the claim of said company for compensation for damages on account of the removal and relocation of certain telephone lines due to the construction of the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir.

Whereupon, after discussion, Mr. Egleston agreed to submit a formal communication on behalf of the company in regard to the subject.

The minutes of June 11, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19010 to 19033, inclusive, amounting to $2,631.70, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of communication from Hon. E. R. L. Gould, Chairman Committee on City Indebtedness, New York Charter Commission, dated June 16, 1908, requesting certain additional information relative to this Commission, and stated that he had replied thereto on June 18, 1908; which action was approved.

The President also reported that on June 18, 1908, he had transmitted to the Com-

missioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, for submission to the Aqueduct Commissioners in accordance with the provisions of Section 2, Chapter 490, Laws of 1883, plans, specifications, etc., for the construction of a dam and reservoir, to be known as the Patterson Reservoir, on the East Branch of Croton River, in the towns of Southeast and Patterson, Putnam County, and Pawling, Dutchess County, N. Y., which action was aiso approved.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending May 21 and 28, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Department of Finance, dated June 18, 1908, of the deposit of $104,263.90 to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the records and filed.

Communication from Chief Clerk, President of the Borough of Bronx, dated June 16, 1908, returning request for transfer of Edward F. Eilicott, Rodman, was received and ordered filed.

Resolutions adopted by the Board of Aldermen requesting that leaves of absence, with pay, be granted veterans of the Spanish War and of the Civil War to attend annual encampments, were received and ordered filed and the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed to comply therewith so far as practicable.

The Acting Secretary reported that the sum of $12.00, being proceeds of sale of Aqueduct Commissioners' reports 1895-1907, had been transmitted to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," and that receipt therefor was on file; which action was approved.

Communication from MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston & Co., dated June 11, 1908, presenting claims against the city growing out of the work performed by said contractors in the building of the Cross River Dam, its appurtenances and accompanying work, under contract dated June 21, 1905, amounting to $359,580.06, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer for report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On Tuesday, June 30, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, July 7, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of June 23d, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in Vouchers Nos. 19,038 and 19,039, amounting to $117,913.99, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported that Melville Egleston, Esq., Counsel for the Hudson River Telephone Company, in accordance with his statement made to the Commissioners at the meeting held on June 23, 1908, had submitted a communication on said date relative to the source of the company's rights as owner, or otherwise, of the real estate and property affected in the matter of the claim of said company for compensation as damages on account of the removal and relocation of certain telephone lines due to the construction of the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, and that the matter had been referred to the Corporation Counsel on June 24, 1908, for his opinion as to whether, under the circumstances, the Commissioners are justified in submitting to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, for their approval, proposed agreement for compensation, as damages, for said removal and relocation of the lines, of said company.

The action of the President was approved.

The President also reported the receipt of two communications from I. J. Beaudrias, Esq., special counsel, dated, respectively, June 30th and July 3d, 1908, requesting that an Engineer be designated to attend the trial of Parcel No. 373, Eighth Cornell Proceeding, Commissioners of Appraisal, with map, prepared to testify as to the rainfall in the watershed, and stated that he had complied therewith.

The action of the President was approved.

Progress reports of the Chief Engineer for the weeks ending June 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1708 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 16, 1908, in the matter of the application of the Croton Falls Construction Company, contractor for the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, dated April 14, 1908, for the omission of the steel derrick towers required under the contract for the construction of said dam and reservoir, and recommending that the request of the contractors be granted, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to the power of the Commissioners to dispense with the use of such steel derrick towers in the construction of said dam.

Report No. 1709 of the Chief Engineer, dated June 29, 1908, submitting first and final estimate of William P. Mitchell for printing and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Reports, 1895-1907, and recommending that the same be paid, was received and ordered filed and in connection therewith the following preamble and resolution was offered:

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of this Commission has certified, under date of June 29, 1908, that, in his opinion, William P. Mitchell has completely performed and carried out the provisions of the contract made by him with this Commission on June 6, 1907, for printing and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners Report, 1895-1907, and the Chief Engineer has stated that the work has been performed and the material furnished in accord with the contract, and recommending that the final estimate be paid; therefore,

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners do accept the work done and materials furnished by William P. Mitchell under the contract above referred to, and direct that a proper voucher for the final payment therefor be approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment:

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Acting Secretary presented certificate, in duplicate, providing for the acceptance of the work done and materials furnished by William P. Mitchell under his contract dated June 6, 1907, for printing and publishing the Aqueduct Commissioners' Reports, 1895-1907, which were ordered executed by the Commissioners.

Communication from E. R. L. Gould, Chairman, Committee on City Indebtedness, N. Y. Charter Commission, dated June 23, 1908, requesting certain data with reference to this Commission, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Connoly, dated July 6, 1908, with regard to action of Elizabeth Flanagan, as administratrix of William J. Flanagan, vs. The City of New York, to recover $25,772.00, and requesting that voucher for extra work, amounting to $2,726.47, constituting part of said claim, be prepared and transmitted to the Comptroller's office to take the place of vouchers for said amount which were mislaid, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare the vouchers accordingly.

The Acting Secretary presented circular letter from Supervisor of the *City Record,* dated June 27, 1908, requesting list of employees, their addresses, salaries, etc., and stated that he had furnished such list on July 1st, 1908; which action was approved.

The Acting Secretary submitted a report dated July 7, 1908, of the transmission of the sum of $12.00, being proceeds of sale of Aqueduct Commissioners' Reports, to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the Additional Water Fund, with receipt therefor.

The report was ordered filed and the action of the Acting Secretary approved.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On July 14 and 21, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, July 28, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

The minutes of July 7, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19048 to 19072, inclusive, amounting to $985.74, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported receipt of letter from I. J. Beaudrias, dated July 7, 1908, requesting that an Engineer be designated to attend hearing before Commissioners of Appraisal, 8th Cornell Proceeding, to testify as to rainfall in vicinity of Parcel 373, and stated that he had complied with such request.

The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Report No. 1710 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 7, 1908, with regard to communication of Colgate Hoyt, President of the Automobile Club of America, dated January 24, 1908, in regard to improvement of abrupt turn in private road below the New Croton Dam, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to communicate with Mr. Hoyt in accordance therewith.

Report No. 1711 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 13, 1908, recommending payment of bills of John F. O'Heir for cart hire for filling in holes in roadway of Reservoir avenue, Jerome Park Reservoir, amounting to $14.00 and $19.69, respectively, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare vouchers for the payment of said bills.

Report No. 1712 of the Chief Engineer, dated July 13, 1908, recommending that the salary of Frank A. Miller, Inspector of Masonry, be fixed at the rate of $5.00 per day, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That, upon the recommendation of the Chief Engineer contained in Report No. 1712, the salary of Frank A. Miller, Inspector of Masonry, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of five dollars per day, to take effect July 28, 1908.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

On motion, Frederick S. Cook, Division Engineer, was designated Acting Chief Engineer in the absence of the Chief Engineer on account of illness.

Circular letter from the Secretary to the Mayor, dated July 9, 1908, stating that the New York Charter Commission would be glad to have from the various heads of departments, etc., any suggestions of views with respect to the City's charter which they might care to submit, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Acting Corporation Counsel, dated July 17, 1908, in reply to communication of this Commission of July 10, 1908, requesting an opinion as to whether or not the Commissioners have the power under the contract to dispense with the use of the steel derrick towers in the construction of the Croton Falls Dam, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to reply thereto

Communications from the Department of Finance, dated July 15 and 18, 1908, stating that the sums of $52,131.95 and $104,263.90, respectively, had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from the Clerk to the New York Charter Commission, dated July 22, 1908, acknowledging receipt of reply to letter of June 23, requesting certain information with reference to contracts, etc., was received and ordered filed.

Communication from E. P. Barrett, dated July 11, 1908, transmitting petition for change of highway and asking for temporary right of way during construction of

road from Katonah to Cross River, etc., was received and referred to the Chief Engineer.

Communication from MacArthur Bros. Co. and Winston & Co., dated July 10, 1908, requesting an extension of time in connection with their contract for the Cross River Dam, was received and ordered filed and the President authorized to reply, stating that inasmuch as the final estimate has already been forwarded to the Comptroller for payment the Commissioners do not feel that any action on their part is proper.

Prevailing rate of wages, issued July, 1908, by the Building Trades of New York City and vicinity, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from Charles A. Berrian, dated July 9, 1908, together with statement of sale at auction of grass, and check for $294.60, being net proceeds of such sale, were received and ordered filed, the Acting Secretary having stated that the check had been transmitted to the City Chamberlain for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," and receipt therefor was on file.

Report of the Acting Secretary, dated July 28, 1908, of the deposit of the sum of $30.00 with the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered filed.

The following preamble and resolution was offered:

Whereas, In the opinion of the Aqueduct Commissioners the further sum of five hundred thousand dollars will be required to defray the necessary and lawful expenditures of said Commissioners; therefore

Resolved, That the Comptroller of The City of New York be and hereby is requested to raise the sum of five hundred thousand dollars ($500,000) upon bonds of The City of New York, in conformity with the requirements of section 32, chapter 490, Laws of 1883 of the State of New York, for the uses and purposes of the Aqueduct Commissioners, as set forth in said chapter and section of said law.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Acting Secretary reported the receipt of communication dated July 25, 1908, from Nathan P. Bushnell, Counsel to Board of Highway Commissioners, Town of Cortlandt, with regard to the matter of the acceptance of highways in said town,

and stated that he had replied thereto, inviting Mr. Bushnell to appear before the Commissioners at the meeting to-day; that Mr. Bushnell had telephoned it was impossible for him to be present, and on the suggestion of the Acting Secretary said he would submit a formal communication to the Commissioners on the subject.

The action of the Acting Secretary was approved and the communication ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On August 4, 11 and 18, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, August 25, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—The Comptroller, Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Prof. William H. Burr.

Also, John B. McDonald, of the firm of McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors for the construction of the Jerome Park Reservoir.

The minutes of July 28, 1908, were read and approved.

Whereas, The westerly basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir and Aqueduct north were completed and put into use by the City in October, 1905, and the Aqueduct Commissioners on December 21, 1905, following out the recommendations of their engineers and deeming it for the best interests of the City, directed the suspension of work on the easterly basin of said reservoir, pending the determination of the question of filtering the Croton water; and

Whereas, Messrs. McDonald & Onderdonk, contractors for the construction of said reservoir, in a communication addressed to the Aqueduct Commissioners under date of May 27, 1908, requested that the matter of the suspension of work on the easterly basin be taken up with a view of prompt and final settlement, and a cancellation of the contract; and

Whereas, The subject-matter of said communication having been referred to the Corporation Counsel, on June 3, 1908, for his opinion as to the course to be pursued by this Commission in relation thereto, and the Corporation Counsel having advised the Commissioners under date of June 11, 1908, that said application should be considered favorably and that in the settlement the Comptroller should have the figures submitted to him and upon a concurrence by the Comptroller in the decision of this

Commission, the final settlement of the matter be had and the contract in question be cancelled; and

Whereas, Said contractors having stated, in the application above referred to, that if their suggestions should meet with the views of the Aqueduct Commissioners, said Contractors would present no claim for profit or damages, and render no bills against the City except for materials on hand and for labor and materials which have entered into the construction of the work by orders of the Commission and its Engineers, and which are now before our Chief Engineer for consideration and approval, other than those due to the suspension of the work, namely, interest, depreciation in value of plant, insurance, premium on bond, etc., as set forth in statement submitted by the Contractors, which bills it is claimed will be increased by further delay; and

Whereas, The claims submitted by said Contractors aggregate the sum of $729,424.04; and

Whereas, Various conferences have been held by the officials of this Commission, the representatives of the Comptroller and the Contractors with regard to the statement of claims so submitted; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of this Commission has submitted Report No. 1715, dated August 15, 1908, in which William H. Burr, Expert Engineer, fully concurs, in which said claims are considered seriatim, and he therein recommends that the contractors be paid the sum of $618,357.18, in settlement of said contract; and further states that said report is made in substantial agreement with the Comptroller's Engineers; and the Comptroller concurring in such settlement; and

Whereas, In view of the foregoing report of our Chief Engineer and the opinion of the Corporation Counsel above referred to, recommending a final settlement and cancellation of said contract, and said Contractors having signified their willingness to accept the sum of $618,357.18 in full and final settlement thereof, and a cancellation of the same; and

Whereas, The Aqueduct Commissioners are prepared to settle said contract by the payment to said Contractors of the sum of $556,872.61 plus the sum of $61,484.57, aggregating the sum of $618,357.18; and

Whereas, Of said sum of $556,872.61, vouchers amounting to $211,203.74 have already been certified to the Comptroller for payment, which latter sum is therefore deducted from the $556,872.61, leaving a balance due to said contractors of $345,668.87,

with interest, at the rate of six per cent. per annum from the 21st day of June, 1906, to date, plus the $61,484.57 above referred to, which is the amount agreed upon for interest and depreciation of plant, etc.; and

Whereas, It appearing to be for the best interests of the City of New York that said contract be finally settled on the terms herein proposed, and the contract cancelled; therefore

Resolved, That the Secretary be and he is hereby directed to prepare a voucher in favor of McDonald & Onderdonk, assignees of John B. McDonald, contractors for the construction of said reservoir, in the sum of $345,668.87, with interest at the rate of six per cent. per annum from the 21st day of June, 1906, to date, plus the sum of $61,484.57, to be paid to them in full and final settlement of all claims against the City of New York in connection with said contract; and further

Resolved, That said contract be and hereby is declared to be canceled, and the Corporation Counsel is hereby requested to prepare such documents as may be necessary to carry out the effect of these resolutions, including such documents as are to be executed by said contractors at the time of payment, and delivered to the City's representatives in order to protect the City against any further claims.

Which were adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—The Comptroller (without prejudice to his action as Comptroller), Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—5.

At this point the Comptroller retired from the meeting.

The President reported receipt of communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated August 11, 1908, requesting that Division Engineer Cook be requested to take possession of Parcel No. 22, Croton Falls Proceeding; and stated that he had complied therewith, was received and ordered filed and such action approved.

Communication from the Department of Finance dated August 12, 1908, stating that the sum of $104,263.90 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Four communications from the Comptroller, dated July 31, August 3, 6 and 13, 1908, relative to the matter of taxes in the respective towns of North Salem, Westchester County, and Kent, Southeast and Carmel, Putnam County, N. Y., were received and Commissioner Ryan reported that he had replied thereto. (See letter press copy-book "Commissioners," pages 247-250.) Which action was approved and the communications ordered filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated August 12, 1908, regarding preparation of vouchers for expenditures incurred in the acquisition of real estate, was received and Commissioner Ryan reported that he had replied thereto; which action was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated August 18, 1908, requesting an additional certificate in connection with the contract for the construction of the Cross River Dam and Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the certificate ordered executed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated August 5, 1908, requesting certain information relative to the matter of taxes in the counties of Westchester and Putnam, was received and Commissioner Ryan reported that he had furnished the information desired; which action was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Communication from George Juengst & Sons, dated August 12, 1908, in regard to application made to the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity for right to place poles along the highway leading to Lake Mahopac, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Civil Service Reform Association, dated August, 15, 1908, in regard to political assessments of civil employees, was received and ordered filed and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Report No. 1713 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated August 12, 1908, transmitting deed of right of way through land of Katharine B. Hobbs, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to forward said deed to the Corporation Counsel for approval and recording.

Report No. 1714 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated August 18, 1908, regarding absence of Charles McKeon, Axeman, without leave, was received and the Vice-President stated that said McKeon had been dropped from the rolls for absence without leave, which action was approved.

Report No. 1716 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated August 18, 1908, requesting authority to expend approximately $100 additional to clean out sand in the sewer or drain leading from Gate House 2, Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1717 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated August 3, 1908, reporting

the death of Henry G. Hansen, Leveler, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to take note thereof

Report No. 1718 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated August 25, 1908, in regard to bill of John Fox & Co., amounting to $44.00 for duplicate parts of machinery at Jerome Park Reservoir, and recommending payment thereof, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher for the payment of said bill.

Report No. 1720 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated August 25, 1908, recommending payment of bill of John F. O'Heir for $45.26, for connecting drain at Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher for the payment of said bill.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and August 6 and 13, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller N. Taylor Phillips, dated July 29, 1908, stating that schedule of premiums on bonds sold August 12, 1907, and allotted to Additional Water Fund (Aqueduct) $12.00, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

On September 1, 8 and 15, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, September 22, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

The minutes of August 25, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimates contained in vouchers Nos. 19104 and 19111, amounting to $578,855.85, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19092 to 19103, inclusive, No. 19107 and Nos. 19112 to 19144, inclusive, aggregating the sum of $6,383.89, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1908 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 9, Town of Somers, N. Y.	$364.93
School District No. 2, Town of Somers, N. Y.	11.67
School District No. 7, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	45.48
School District No. 6, Town of North Salem, N. Y.	164.01
School District No. 8, Towns of North Salem and Lewisboro, N. Y.	108.16

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported receipt of communication from Deputy Comptroller Phillips, dated September 2, 1908, requesting information with regard to claim filed in his department by the Turner Construction Company, for the sum of $338.00, and stated that he had referred the same to the Acting Chief Engineer and upon the receipt of his report had communicated with the Deputy Comptroller on the subject.

Which action was approved and the communication ordered filed.

Circular letter from the Executive Secretary to the Mayor, dated September 10, 1908, requesting that where practicable leave of absence be granted to employes of Jewish faith to observe holy days, was received and ordered filed.

Communications from the Deputy Comptroller of the deposit of moneys to the credit of the Additional Water Fund were received as follows:

August 28, 1908	$100,000.00
August 28, 1908	150,000.00
September 9, 1908	100,000.00

Which were ordered entered in the records and filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel Sterling, dated September 14, 1908, enclosing general release to be signed by Messrs. McDonald & Onderdonk in connection with the final payment in settlement of the Jerome Park Reservoir contract, approved as to form, was received and the President directed to forward same to the Comptroller with the voucher.

Report No. 1721 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated September 5, 1908, in regard to communication from Law Department, dated August 11, 1908, and with reference to efforts of the Engineers to obtain possession of Parcel No. 22, First Supplemental Proceedings, Croton Falls Reservoir, Melville E. Mead, former owner, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to request the Corporation Counsel to take proceedings to obtain possession through the courts.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending August 27, September 3 and 10, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1722 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated September 8, 1908, submitting bill of Coldwell Wilcox Co., amounting to $94.82, for work performed, and recommending payment thereof, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to prepare a voucher for the payment of the same.

Report No. 1723 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated September 10, 1908, sub-

mitting bids for making wash and drill borings at the sites for proposed dam and dikes at De Forest Corners, Dykmans and Pawling, N. Y., was received and ordered to lie over.

Communication from N. P. Bushnell, dated September 1, 1908, with regard to the highways in the Town of Cortlandt and the dedication and acceptance thereof, was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned to meet on Wednesday, September 23, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Wednesday, September 23, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

Report No. 1724 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated September 23, 1908, submitting modified plans and rough draft of modified specifications for constructing an iron and wooden fence around the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received, approved and ordered filed and the Acting Chief Engineer authorized to have said specifications, etc., printed, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President was directed to communicate with the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity in regard to communication addressed to him on June 18, 1908, relating to the submission of plans, specifications, estimates and particulars for the construction of a dam and reservoir, to be known as the Patterson Reservoir.

The Acting Chief Engineer was directed to submit a report at the next meeting of the Commissioners containing information in regard to the works of construction under the jurisdiction of this Commission and the men employed thereon.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the Acting Chief Engineer be directed to confer with the Engineer of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity with regard to the completed structures under the jurisdiction of the Aqueduct Commissioners and such re-adjustment of their forces as may be necessary.

Which was adopted.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday September 29, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated Acting Secretary.

The minutes of September 22 and 23, 1908, were read and approved.

The Construction or Executive Committee returned to the Commissioners communication from the Building Trades of New York City and vicinity, issued July, 1908, of prevailing rate of wages, with the recommendation that the same be filed, which recommendation was adopted.

Progress report of the Acting Chief Engineer for the week ending September 17, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Circular letter from the Comptroller, dated September 23, 1908, with regard to the installation of a new system of accounting throughout the City departments, was received and referred to the Secretary.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated September 24, 1908, with regard to the holding of promotion examinations in clerical and engineer service, was received and referred to the Secretary and Chief Engineer.

Circular letter from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated September 25, 1908, with regard to the keeping of efficiency records, was received and ordered filed, the Acting Secretary having stated that he had complied therewith.

Report of the Acting Secretary, dated September 29, 1908, of the deposit of $42.01, proceeds of sale of Aqueduct Commissioners' reports, 1895-1907, was received and ordered entered in the records and filed.

Application from Walter H. Sears, Chief Engineer, for a leave of absence until November 1, 1908, was received and the application granted.

Communication from Clerk to the New York Charter Commission, dated September 28, 1908, regarding submission of views relative to the Charter, was received and referred to the President.

Report No. 1725 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated September 29, 1908, with regard to request of Commissioners at the previous meeting for a statement of the work of construction, the number of men employed, etc., etc., was received and referred to the Committee of Finance and Audit.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 6, 1908, at 11 oclock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

The minutes of September 29, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in voucher No. 19152, amounting to $145,373.89, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19153 to 19173, inclusive, amounting to $1,845.23, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1908, on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 7, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	$10.60
School District No. 8, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	120.51
School District No. 9, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	29.96
School District No. 8, Town of Southeast, N. Y.	74.10
School District No. 8, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	77.00
School District No. 9, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	68.74

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending September 24 and October 1, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1726 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 6, 1908, regarding petition of E. P. Barrett for change of highway, etc., was received and ordered filed and the President directed to communicate with Mr. Barrett in regard to the subject.

Report No. 1727 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 6, 1908, requesting authority to repair heating apparatus at the office and Janitor's cottage, Jerome Park Reservoir, and on the Croton River Division, Katonah, was received and ordered filed and the authority therein requested granted, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Opinion from the Corporation Counsel, dated September 30, 1908, in reply to communication of this Commission of July 29, 1908, with regard to the matter of the elimination of the steel derrick towers from the contract for the construction of the Croton Falls Dam, was received and referred to the Acting Chief Engineer for report as to the actual saving to the City by reason of the elimination of such towers from said contract.

Opinion from the Corporation Counsel, dated October 6, 1908, in reply to communication of this Commission of June 24, 1908, as to the procedure to be adopted in regard to removing certain telegraph or telephone poles and lines of the Hudson River Telephone Company from within the limits of the flow-line of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and in connection therewith the following preambles and resolutions were offered:

Whereas, In the construction of the New Croton Aqueduct, its dams and appurtenances, it has been found necessary to take possession of certain telephone and telegraph lines of the Hudson River Telephone Company, now within the limits of the flow-line of the Croton Falls Reservoir, and to relocate said lines on property above said flow-line, and negotiations therefor were entered into with said company; and

Whereas, The Chief Engineer of the Aqueduct Commissioners has submitted Report No. 1692, dated April 20, 1908, accompanied by a plan and description of the present location of said lines and also the proposed location to be substituted therefor; and

Whereas, The original claim submitted on behalf of said company, amounting to $15,350.00, after various conferences between its representatives and the officials of this Commission, has been reduced to the sum of $9,350.00, which covers the damage to the several lines interfered with as shown in the memorandum of estimate of cost attached to said Report No. 1692; and said estimate appearing to be just and reasonable and the Chief Engineer having recommended that the necessary action be taken

in order that said poles and lines may be removed at the earliest possible date, and it appearing to be for the best interests of the City that an agreement be entered into with said Company therefor; now be it

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners, subject to the approval of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, agree with the Hudson River Telephone Company to pay to said company the sum of nine thousand, three hundred and fifty dollars ($9,350.00) as compensation for all expenses and damages arising from the taking, using and occupying of its said rights of way for said re-location of its lines; and agree to furnish to said company the new rights of way for said lines over the property of the City under the control of the Aqueduct Commissioners, which are to be substituted in place of the present rights of way; and further

Resolved, That the Aqueduct Commissioners submit the foregoing preambles and resolution to the Board of Estimate and Apportionment for its consideration and approval, and that in the event of such approval the Corporation Counsel be and hereby is requested by the Aqueduct Commissioners to prepare the necessary papers on behalf of the City of New York to carry out the intention of these resolutions.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Request of Commissioner of Parks, Manhattan and Richmond, dated October 5, 1908, for the transfer to his department of John Fitzpatrick, Carpenter, was received and ordered filed, and the President authorized to consent thereto.

Resignation of Alice F. McKenna, Telephone Operator, was presented and accepted, to take effect as of September 30, 1908.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On Tuesday, October 13, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 20, 1908, at 11 oclock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

The minutes of October 6, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19176 to 19186, inclusive, amounting to $8,037.41, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1908 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment under protest, viz.:

School District No. 4, Town of Somers, N. Y.	$80.24
School District No. 6, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	77.79
School District No. 10, Towns of Bedford and Lewisboro, N. Y.	6,367.12
School District No. 9, Town of Southeast, N. Y.	38.77
School District No. 6, Town of Bedford, N. Y.	66.28
School District No. 3, Town of Cortlandt, N. Y.	444.08
School District No. 5, Town of Yorktown, N. Y.	8.84

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of communication from Messrs. Edward H. Kelly, E. F. Connell and Louis Mink, Committee of the Bedford Park Taxpayers' Association, dated October 10, 1908, with regard to the present condition of the Jerome Park Reservoir, and stated that he had referred the communication to the Acting Chief Engineer for report; which action was approved.

Progress report of the Acting Chief Engineer for the week ending October 8, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1728 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 12, 1908, in regard to opinion of Corporation Counsel, dated September 30, 1908, in the matter of the application of the Croton Falls Construction Company for the elimination of the steel derrick towers required under its contract for the construction of the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, and as to the actual saving to the city by reason of the elimination of such towers, was received and ordered filed and said application granted, subject, however, to the consent of the sureties thereto being furnished by said contractors.

Report No. 1729 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 12, 1908, requesting authority to purchase twenty-five granite monuments to mark the boundary of the City's land at the Jerome Park Reservoir, at a cost of $4.50 each, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1730 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 12, 1908, requesting authority to purchase a diaphragm stopper, for use at Shaft No. 25, at an approximate cost of $75.00, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1731 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 20, 1908, recommending that a leave of absence be granted to John H. McKenna, Rodman, on account of illness, was received and ordered filed and a leave of absence, without pay, from October 12 to November 1, 1908, was granted.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated October 13, 1908, requesting information relative to voucher in favor of J. B. Malatesta, amounting to $120.50, for cleaning out siphon at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received, together with Report No. 1732 of the Acting Chief Engineer thereon, dated October 20, 1908. The President was directed to reply to said communication in accordance with the report, and the report and communication were ordered filed.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated October 3 and 5, 1908, of the deposit of the sums of $50,000 and $25,000, respectively, to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," were received and ordered entered on the records and filed.

Communication from Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated October 16, 1908, requesting information relative to voucher in favor of William J. Flanagan, for $1,088.28, for work in connection with the Muscoot Dam, was received and referred to the Acting Chief Engineer for report.

Communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated October 14, 1908, in regard to plans, etc., for the construction of the proposed Patterson Reservoir, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated October 16, 1908, submitting eligible list of Telephone Operator, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated October 19, 1908, transmitting communication of Mrs. John Sullivan, in regard to indebtedness of Frank McSpedon, Rodman, was received and referred to the Acting Chief Engineer.

Communication from the Legislative Index Publishing Co., dated October 8, 1908, submitting proposition to furnish legislative bills, etc., was received and ordered filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, October 27, 1908, at 11 o'clock A M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

In the absence of the Secretary, Frank H. Warder was designated Acting Secretary.

The minutes of October 20, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19195 to 19214, inclusive, amounting to $1,661.74, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the accompanying bill for school taxes for the year 1908 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in favor of School District No. 5, Town of Cortlandt, Westchester County, New York, amounting to $18.43, is hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress report of the Acting Chief Engineer for the week ending October 15, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

The Committee of Finance and Audit returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1725 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated September 29, 1908, with regard to the works of construction under the jurisdiction of the Aqueduct Commissioners and the

men employed thereon, with recommendation that the same be filed, and the following resolution adopted:

Resolved, That the following named employees be and hereby are dismissed from the service of the Aqueduct Commissioners, on account of lack of work, to take effect on and after October 31, 1908, viz.:

A. S. Nye, Jr., Assistant Engineer.
George A. Vollmar, Assistant Engineer.
George E. Washburn, Leveler.
Frank M. Gaiger, Leveler.
John P. Carver, Leveler.
John Fagan, Transitman.
Everett B. Hedden, Transitman.
James H. McKenna, Rodman.
Leander Clements, Axeman.
Thomas Keenan, Groundman.
James Gregory, Inspector (Lay).
Jacob G. Rubenstein, Computer.
John Dynan, Stableman.
William Cargon, Driver.
Walter G. Thornton, Machinist.
Tony Mount, Laborer.
Jules E. Burguire, Laborer.
James Fitzgerald, Laborer.
Walter Williams, Laborer
Alexander M. Gordon, Laborer.

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1733 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 21, 1908, in regard to communication from Messrs. Edward H. Kelly, Edward P. Connell and Louis Mink, Committee of the Bedford Park Taxpayers' Association, relative to the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1734 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated October 22, 1908, in regard to communication of Deputy Comptroller McCooey, dated October 16, 1908, requesting information relative to voucher in favor of William J. Flanagan, for work in connection with Muscoot Dam, amounting to $1,088.28, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply thereto in accordance with said report.

Consent, in triplicate, of the sureties on the contract of the Croton Falls Construction Company, contractors for the construction of the Croton Falls Dam and Reservoir, to the elimination of the steel derrick towers in connection with said contract, were received and ordered filed with the contract.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

FRANK H. WARDER, Acting Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On Tuesday, November 10, the meeting was adjourned; and on Tuesday, November 17, 1908, the meeting was adjourned until Wednesday, November 18, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Adjourned Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Wednesday, November 18, 1908, at 11 o'Clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

The minutes of October 27th, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in Voucher No. 19,224, amounting to $149,076.75, and of bills contained in Vouchers Nos. 19,219 to 19,223, inclusive, amounting to $2,224.20, and in Vouchers Nos. 19,225 to 19,246, inclusive, amounting to $3,410.93; which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for taxes for the year 1908 on property taken by the City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed, are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 1, Town of Carmel, N. Y.	$66.02
School District No. 10, Town of Carmel, N. Y.	55.61
School District No. 12, Towns of Cortlandt and Yorktown, N. Y.	1,733.92
School District No. 1, Town of Somers, N. Y.	309.74
School District No. 13, Town of Southeast, N. Y.	58.91

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners communication from Messrs. Edward H. Kelly, Edward P. Connell and Louis Mink, Committee of the Bedford Park Taxpayers' Association, dated October 10, 1908, with regard to the Jerome Park Reservoir, and Report No. 1733 of the Acting Chief Engineer thereon, dated October 21, 1908, stating that it will be necessary to expend from $3,500 to $4,000 to remedy the conditions complained of, with the recommendation that the President be directed to request the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to the power of the Commissioners to do such work.

Communication from the President, Department of Health, dated October 27, 1908, transmitting copy of communication from Messrs. Edward H. Kelly, Edward P. Connell and Louis Mink, Committee of the Bedford Park Taxpayers' Association, in regard to conditions at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered referred to the President in connection with Report No. 1733, above referred to.

The President presented communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated October 28th, 1908, requesting permission to make surveys and to install and operate drilling machines in the east basin of the Jerome Park Reservoir, in connection with the investigations being made by said Board for the distribution system of the new Catskill water supply, and reported that he had granted such request. The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed.

The President also presented communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated October 29, 1908, requesting data in regard to Parcels Nos. 164, 124 and 135½, and stated that he had furnished the information requested. The action of the President was approved and the communicaton ordered filed.

The President also presented applications for leave of absence, from John C. Fagan and George A. Vollmar, formerly employed as Transitman and Assistant Engineer, respectively, and reported that he had replied thereto, stating that the Commissioners were unable to grant such applications. Which action was approved and the applications ordered filed.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending October 22, 29 and November 5, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1735 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 4, 1908, transmitting minutes of inspection of the work along the New Aqueduct, Croton and Cross River Reservoirs, with Principal Assistant Engineer McKay of the Department of

Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, with recommendations in regard thereto, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1737 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 2, 1908, transmitting applications of Walter Williams, and William Cargon, formerly employed as La orer and Driver, respectively, for leave of absence, and application of Robert J. Enright, Driver, for a change of title to Laborer, was received and referred to the President.

Report No. 1738 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 7, 1908, regarding the sale at public auction on November 6, 1908, of horses, vehicles, etc., and asking for instructions with regard to the Drivers in the service, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Two communications from the Comptroller, dated October 13 and 28, 1908, stating that the sums of $156,395.85 and $104,263.90, respectively, had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, were received and ordered entered in the records and filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated November 9, 1908, asking to be advised of the nature of the duties performed by James Gregory, Inspector (Lay), while he was in the service, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Communication from Lewis G. Platt, dated November 9, 1908, requesting the reinstatement of James Gregory as Inspector (Lay) on the ground that he was a veteran fireman, was received and referred to the President.

Certificates stating that George E. Washburn (Leveler), John Dynan (Stableman and Leander Clements (Laborer), who were discharged on account of lack of work, October 27, 1908, had served the full term of five years as volunteer fireman, were received and referred to the President to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Counsel as to whether or not the Commissioners should reinstate such men in the service.

Communication from Katharine B. Hobbs, dated November 7, 1908, in regard to the cutting off of water supply from her property in the vicinity of the channel of the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and referred to the President for reply.

Report from the Secretary, dated November 5, 1908, of the transmission of $6.00 to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the Additional Water Fund, being proceeds of sale of Aqueduct Commissioners' Report, 1895-1907, was received and ordered entered in the records and filed.

Communication from John F. Murray, Commissioner of Public Works, Borough of the Bronx, dated November 16, 1908, requesting permission to store paving blocks on property under control of this Commission at the northwest corner of Jerome avenue and Kingsbridge road, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to grant such permission.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, November 24, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Acting Chief Engineer Cook.

The minutes of November 18, 1908, were read and approved.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1738 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 7, 1908, in regard to sale of horses, etc., and the Drivers employed in the service, with the recommendation that the report be ordered filed and the following resolution adopted:

Resolved, That the following named Drivers be and hereby are discharged from the service of the Aqueduct Commissioners, on account of lack of work, to take effect at the close of the working day November 30, 1908, viz.:

Robert J. Enright, John St. Peter, John P. Dexter.

Adopted by the folowing vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report No. 1739 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 23, 1908, recommending the sale of certain buildings standing within the boundary lines of the New Croton Reservoir and the Cross River Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President and Secretary directed to take the steps necessary to sell such buildings at public auction.

Report No. 1740 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 24, 1908, transmitting plan providing for the building of the spillway of the new Croton Dam up to elevation 200, approved by the Chief Engineer and Prof. William H. Burr, Expert Engineer, and requesting to be empowered to proceed with the work, estimating the cost thereof at $1,500.00, was received and ordered to lie over.

Report No. 1741 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 24, 1908, recommending the appointment of one Inspector of Masonry, for assignment at the Croton

Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to request the Municipal Civil Service Commission to furnish an eligible list from which to make such appointment.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated November 12, 1908, stating that the sum of $52,131.95 had been deposited to the credit of the Additional Water Fund, was received and ordered entered in the records and filed.

Communication from the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, dated November 24, 1908, submitting contract, plans and specifications for furnishing, erecting and painting wooden and iron feneing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to transmit said contract, etc., to the Corporation Counsel for approval as to form.

Petition of Mortimer A. Hyatt, dated November 23, 1908, for a right of way across property of the City, near Parcel No. 153, was received and referred to the Acting Chief Engineer for report.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 1, 1908, *at* 11 *o'clock A. M.*

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineers Sears.

The minutes of November 24, 1908, were read and approved.

The Construction Committee returned to the Commissioners Report No. 1735 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 4, 1908, transmitting minutes of inspection of the work along the New Aqueduct, Croton and Cross River Reservoirs, signed by Principal Assistant Engineer McKay, representing I. M. De Varona, Chief Engineer of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, and himself, with recommendations in regard thereto.

The report was ordered to lie over, and the Chief Engineer directed to report further in regard to the matters referred to in the minutes of inspection accompanying said report with the view of carrying out the work contemplated therein at the earliest possible date.

The President reported receipt of letters from Lewis F. Frissell, Secretary, Filtration Committee, New York Academy of Medicine, dated November 20 and 24, 1908, respectively, and stated that he had replied thereto; which action was approved and the communications ordered filed.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending November 12 and 19, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1742 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 1, 1908, submitting bids for building up the 250 foot spillway of the New Croton Dam, and requesting authority to have the work done at once by F. A. Canney, at the prices named in his bid, aggregating the sum of $1,360.00, was received and considered in connection with Report No. 1740 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 24, 1908, submitting a plan for doing said work, approved by the Chief Engineer and

Prof. William H. Burr, Expert Engineer, and recommending that the same be approved.

Whereupon said reports were approved and ordered filed and the Acting Chief Engineer directed to proceed immediately with the work in accordance with said reports, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated November 25, 1908, transmitting certified copy of resolution adopted by said Board November 20, 1908, approving of the payment by The City of New York to the Hudson River Telephone Company of the sum of $9,350.00 as compensation for all expenses and damages arising from the taking, using and occupying of its rights of way and for the relocating of its lines in connection with the Croton Falls Reservoir, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Acting Chief Engineer, dated November 30, 1908, in regard to petition of Mortimer A. Hyatt, dated November 23, 1908, for a right of way across City property, was received and ordered filed and the President directed to reply to Mr. Hyatt in accordance with said report.

Report No. 1743 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 1, 1908, supplemental to Report No. 1739, dated November 23, 1908, in regard to the proposed sale at auction of buildings, and suggesting that $100.00 be fixed as the minimum price for each of the respective groups of buildings, was received and referred to the President in connection with Report No. 1739.

Communication of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 1, 1908, submitting application of George Hopey, Rodman, for a leave of absence for 14 days, was received and returned to the Acting Chief Engineer for further information.

Opinion from Acting Corporation Counsel G. L. Sterling, dated December 1, 1908, in reply to communication of this Commission of November 20, 1908, asking to be advised as to whether George E. Washburn (Leveler), John Dynan (Stableman), James Gregory (Inspector lay) and Leander Clements (Axeman), who were discharged on account of lack of work October 27, 1908, should be reinstated in the service on account of being veterans, was received and ordered filed and the following resolution offered:

Resolved, That, pursuant to the opinion of the Corporation Counsel, dated De-

cember 1, 1908, Leander Clements be and hereby is reinstated as Axeman in the Engineer Corps of this Commission, at a salary of $70.00 per month.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Report from the Secretary, dated November 27, 1908, stating that the sum of $6.00 had been transmitted to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered in the records and filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On Tuesday, December 8, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 15, 1908, *at* 11 *o'clock A. M.*

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineers Sears.

The minutes of December 1, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in voucher No. 19259, amounting to $145,998.38, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19260 to 19284, inclusive, amounting to $2,100 62, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1908 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 6, Town of Lewisboro, N. Y.....	$115.15
School District No. 9, Town of Carmel, N. Y.....	136.21

Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of communication from William A. Willis, Executive Secretary to the Mayor, dated December 2, 1908, requesting a picture of the Cross River Dam, and stated that he had complied therewith; which action was approved and the communication ordered filed.

The President also reported the receipt of an eligible list from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated December 8, 1908, from which to appoint one Inspector of Masonry, and stated that on December 10, 1908, he had appointed Michael Bourke as Inspector of Masonry, at the rate of $4.50 per day, for assignment at the Croton Falls Reservoir, to take effect upon assignment to duty by the Acting Chief Engineer. The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending November 26 and December 3, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1744 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 9, 1908. in regard to request of Isaac Thomas, Inspector of Masonry, for a leave of absence, without pay, from December 26, 1908, to January 1, 1909, inclusive, was received and ordered filed and the request granted.

Report No. 1745 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 10, 1908. recommending that the Aqueduct and the Croton River Divisions be abolished and that the work remaining to be done under such divisions be carried on from the Jerome Park Reservoir office, was received, approved and ordered filed.

Communication from the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 14, 1908, transmitting certificate of Dr. Franklin Walker, dated December 1, 1908, certifying as to Rodman George Hopey's absence through sickness, and stating that he reported for duty December 11, 1908, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated December 9, 1908, stating that the sum of $156,395.85 had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel John L. O'Brien, dated December 4, 1908, returning, approved as to form, forms of contract and specifications, and bonds for the faithful performance thereof, for furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was thereupon offered:

Resolved, That the forms of contract and specifications, and bonds for the faithful performance thereof, for furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, in the 24th Ward, Borough of The Bronx,

The City of New York, submitted by the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity on November 24, 1908, and approved by the Corporation Counsel as to form on December 4, 1908, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted; and the Secretary is hereby directed to prepare, in triplicate, the necessary certificates for the certification of said forms of contract, specifications and bonds by the Aqueduct Commissioners, to be filed in accordance with the provisions of section 25, chapter 490, Laws of 1883.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be and they are hereby directed to advertise in the "City Record," "The Sun" and "The World" a notice inviting sealed bids or proposals for the furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, in the 24th Ward, Borough of The Bronx, The City of New York.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel John L. O'Brien, dated December 5, 1908, returning form of advertisement inviting sealed bids or proposals for furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel G. L. Sterling, dated December 12, 1908, returning form of advertisement of the sale at public auction of buildings standing within the purchase lines of the new Croton and the Cross River Reservoirs, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated December 12, 1908, requesting the transfer to said Board of Charles A. Lewis, Stenographer and Typewriter, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated December 9, 1908, requesting certain information relative to a suit brought by the Town of Cortlandt, N. Y., against the Aqueduct Commissioners in connection with the new highway system guardrail, etc., in said town, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer and President.

Communication from George E. Gregory, Transitman, dated December 7, 1908, transmitting certificate that he had served the time required by law as a volunteer fireman in the Katonah Fire Department, was received and ordered filed.

On motion, the Chief Engineer was directed to report in regard to the claims of Messrs. MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston & Company, dated June 11, 1908, for damages, etc., alleged to be due in connection with the construction of the Cross River Reservoir, which were referred to him on June 23, 1908.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 22, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph.

The minutes of December 15, 1908, were read and approved.

Progress report of the Acting Chief Engineer for the week ending December 10, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1747 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 17, 1908, giving a memoranda of work yet remaining, and proposed, to be done along the line of the New Aqueduct, New Croton Dam, New Croton Reservoir, Jerome Park, Cross River, Croton Falls and Patterson Reservoirs was received and considered in connection with Report No. 1735 transmitting minutes of inspection of the work along the New Aqueduct, etc., signed by Principal Assistant Engineer McKay, representing I. M. DeVarona, Chief Engineer of the Department of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, and the Acting Chief Engineer.

Whereupon said reports, together with the statement accompanying Report No. 1735, were referred to the Chief Engineer for examination and report.

Report No. 1749 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 22, 1908, in regard to the claim of Messrs. MacArthur Brothers Company and Winston & Company, dated June 11, 1908, was received and referred back to the Chief Engineer for further report.

Communication from the Assistant Secretary, Board of Estimate and Apportionment, dated December 15, 1908, transmitting certified copy of resolution adopted by said Board on December 11, 1908, authorizing an issue of $500,000 Corporate Stock to defray the necessary and lawful expenditures of the Aqueduct Commissioners, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Statement from the Comptroller, dated December 15, 1908, of warrants issued for the payment of vouchers not certified to by the Aqueduct Commissioners during the six months ending June 30, 1908, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Report from the Secretary, dated December 22, 1908, in regard to sale at auction November 6, 1908, of horses, wagons, etc., under the control of this Commission, and transmission of statement of auctioneer, together with check for $612.04. being net proceeds of sale, was received and ordered filed and the Secretary directed to transmit the proceeds to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund."

Reports Nos. 1631, dated September 10, 1907, and 1685, dated March 17, 1908. regarding salaries, Engineer Corps, were ordered filed.

A recess was then taken until 2 o'clock P. M.

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2 o'clock P. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph.

Report No. 1748 of the Chief Engineer, dated December 22, 1908, requesting authority to make certain repairs and improvements to the Pneumatic Pumping machinery at Shaft No. 25, at an approximate cost not to exceed $5,000.00, and also to employ an expert who is familiar with the pumping plant, to inspect and supervise such work, at a compensation of ten dollars per day and travelling expenses, was received and ordered filed and the authority requested granted, subject to the approval of the Municipal Civil Service Commission to the appointment of such an expert, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the salary of Charles V. Maguire, Attendant, be and hereby is fixed at the rate of $1,100.00 per annum, to take effect on and after January 1, 1909.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

On motion the President was directed to communicate with the Corporation Counsel requesting his opinion in regard to the submission by the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity, as successor of the Commissioner of Public Works, of plans, maps, estimates, etc., for the construction of the proposed Patterson Reservoir.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

AQUEDUCT COMMISSION.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 29, 1908, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineer Sears.

The minutes of December 22, 1908, were read and approved.

Progress report of the Acting Chief Engineer for the week ending December 17, 1908, was received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel, dated December 29, 1908, returning, with approval, form of advertisement for the sale at public auction of certain buildings standing within the purchase lines of the new Croton and the Cross River Reservoirs, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated December 23, 1908, stating that the proposed transfer of Charles A. Lewis, Stenographer and Typewriter in this Commission, to the Board of Water Supply, had been approved, was received and ordered filed, and the attention of the Chief Engineer and Secretary directed thereto.

Communication from Leander Clements, dated December 26, 1908, in regard to salary for the month of November, 1908, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Secretary, dated December 28, 1908, reporting that the sum of $12.00, being proceeds of sale of Aqueduct Commissioners' Reports, 1895-1907, had been transmitted to the City Chamberlain, for the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," and that receipt therefor was on file, was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

The Commissioners then adjourned.

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AQUEDUCT COMMISSION

On Tuesday, December 8, 1908, the meeting was adjourned.

HARRY W. WALKER, Secretary.

Minutes of Stated Meeting of the Aqueduct Commissioners, Held at Their Office, No. 280 Broadway, New York City, on Tuesday, December 15, 1908, *at* 11 *o'clock A. M.*

Present—Commissioners Cowan (President), Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph, and Chief Engineers Sears.

The minutes of December 1, 1908, were read and approved.

The Committee of Finance and Audit reported the examination and audit of estimate contained in voucher No. 19259, amounting to $145,998.38, and of bills contained in vouchers Nos. 19260 to 19284, inclusive, amounting to $2,100 62, which were approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was offered:

Resolved, That the following bills for school taxes for the year 1908 on property taken by The City of New York for the construction of dams, reservoirs, etc., in the Croton watershed are hereby approved and ordered certified to the Comptroller for payment, under protest, viz.:

School District No. 6, Town of Lewisboro, N. Y.....	$115.15
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Which was adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The President reported the receipt of communication from William A. Willis, Executive Secretary to the Mayor, dated December 2, 1908, requesting a picture of the Cross River Dam, and stated that he had complied therewith; which action was approved and the communication ordered filed.

The President also reported the receipt of an eligible list from the Municipal Civil Service Commission, dated December 8, 1908, from which to appoint one Inspector of Masonry, and stated that on December 10, 1908, he had appointed Michael Bourke as Inspector of Masonry, at the rate of $4.50 per day, for assignment at the Croton Falls Reservoir, to take effect upon assignment to duty by the Acting Chief Engineer. The action of the President was approved and the communication ordered filed, by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Progress reports of the Acting Chief Engineer for the weeks ending November 26 and December 3, 1908, were received and referred to the Construction Committee.

Report No. 1744 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 9, 1908. in regard to request of Isaac Thomas, Inspector of Masonry, for a leave of absence, without pay, from December 26, 1908, to January 1, 1909, inclusive, was received and ordered filed and the request granted.

Report No. 1745 of the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 10, 1908. recommending that the Aqueduct and the Croton River Divisions be abolished and that the work remaining to be done under such divisions be carried on from the Jerome Park Reservoir office, was received, approved and ordered filed.

Communication from the Acting Chief Engineer, dated December 14, 1908, transmitting certificate of Dr. Franklin Walker, dated December 1, 1908, certifying as to Rodman George Hopey's absence through sickness, and stating that he reported for duty December 11, 1908, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Comptroller, dated December 9, 1908, stating that the sum of $156,395.85 had been deposited to the credit of the "Additional Water Fund," was received and ordered entered on the books and filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel John L. O'Brien, dated December 4, 1908, returning, approved as to form, forms of contract and specifications, and bonds for the faithful performance thereof, for furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed.

The following resolution was thereupon offered:

Resolved, That the forms of contract and specifications, and bonds for the faithful performance thereof, for furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, in the 24th Ward, Borough of The Bronx,

The City of New York, submitted by the Commissioner of Water Supply, Gas and Electricity on November 24, 1908, and approved by the Corporation Counsel as to form on December 4, 1908, be and the same are hereby approved and adopted; and the Secretary is hereby directed to prepare, in triplicate, the necessary certificates for the certification of said forms of contract, specifications and bonds by the Aqueduct Commissioners, to be filed in accordance with the provisions of section 25, chapter 490, Laws of 1883.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

The following resolution was also offered:

Resolved, That the President and Secretary be and they are hereby directed to advertise in the "City Record," "The Sun" and "The World" a notice inviting sealed bids or proposals for the furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, in the 24th Ward, Borough of The Bronx, The City of New York.

Adopted by the following vote:

Affirmative—Commissioners Cowan, Ten Eyck, Ryan and Windolph—4.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel John L. O'Brien, dated December 5, 1908, returning form of advertisement inviting sealed bids or proposals for furnishing, erecting and painting iron and wooden fencing at the Jerome Park Reservoir, was received and ordered filed.

Communication from Acting Corporation Counsel G. L. Sterling, dated December 12, 1908, returning form of advertisement of the sale at public auction of buildings standing within the purchase lines of the new Croton and the Cross River Reservoirs, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from the Board of Water Supply, dated December 12, 1908, requesting the transfer to said Board of Charles A. Lewis, Stenographer and Typewriter, was received and referred to the President.

Communication from I. J. Beaudrias, dated December 9, 1908, requesting certain information relative to a suit brought by the Town of Cortlandt, N. Y., against the Aqueduct Commissioners in connection with the new highway system guardrail, etc., in said town, was received and referred to the Chief Engineer and President.

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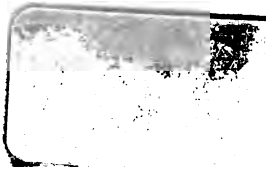
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